



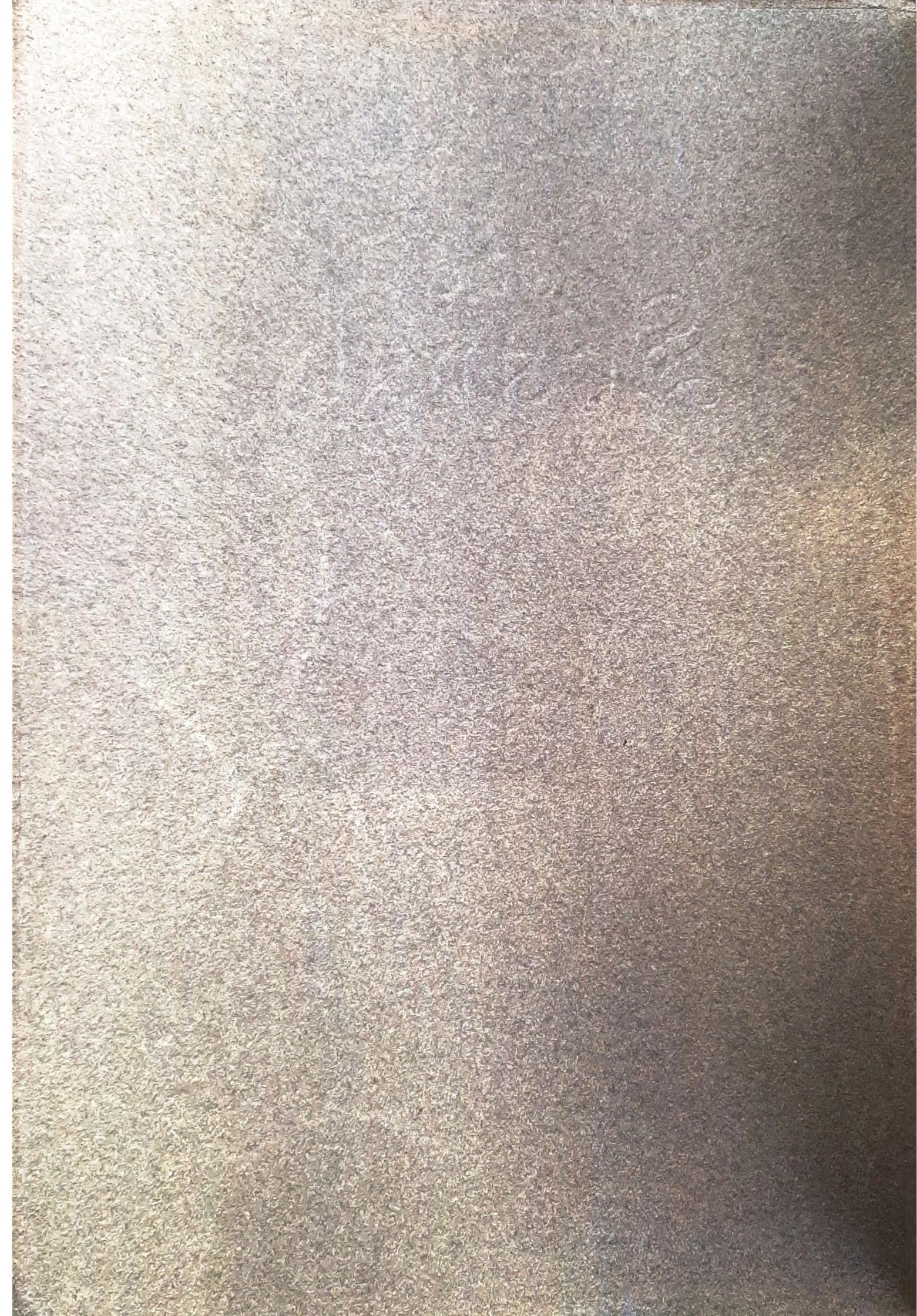
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ing leader



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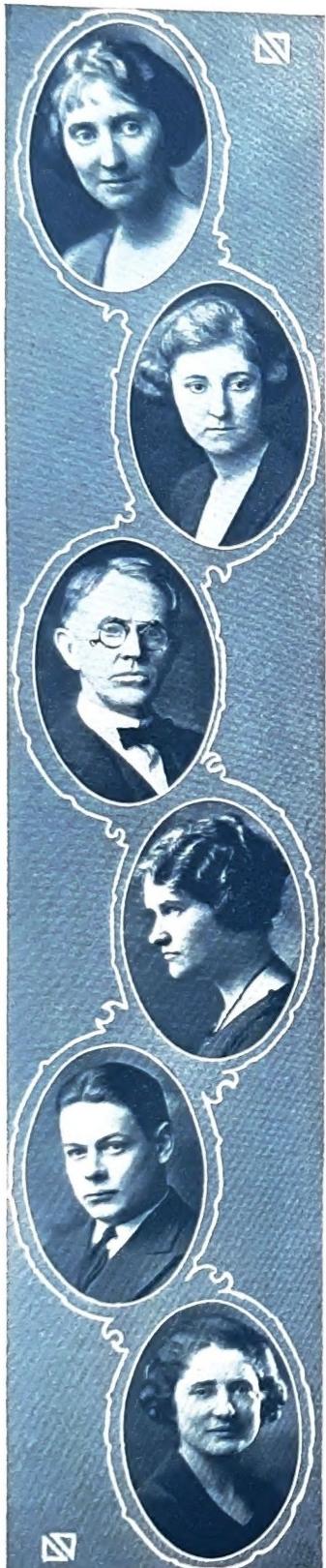
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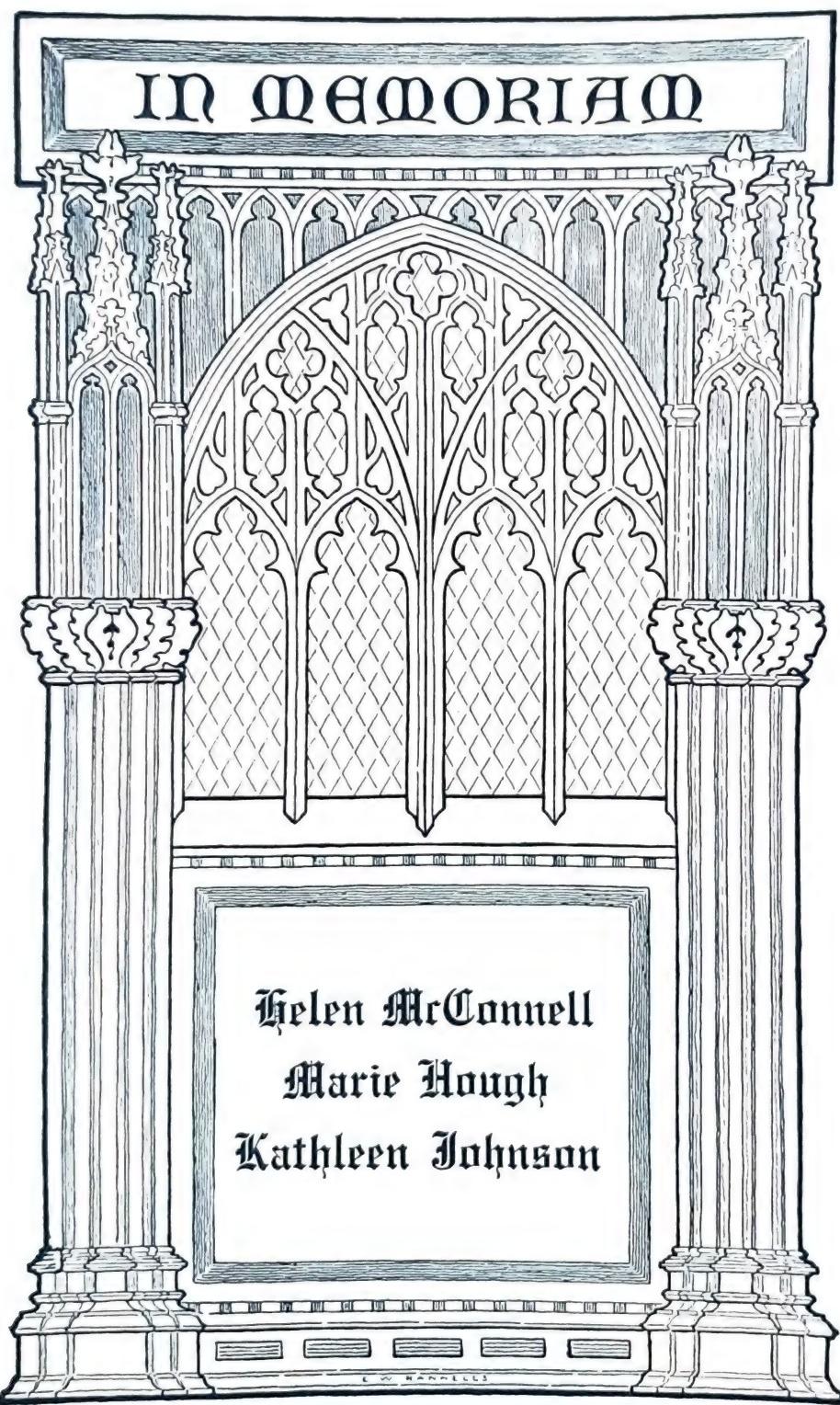
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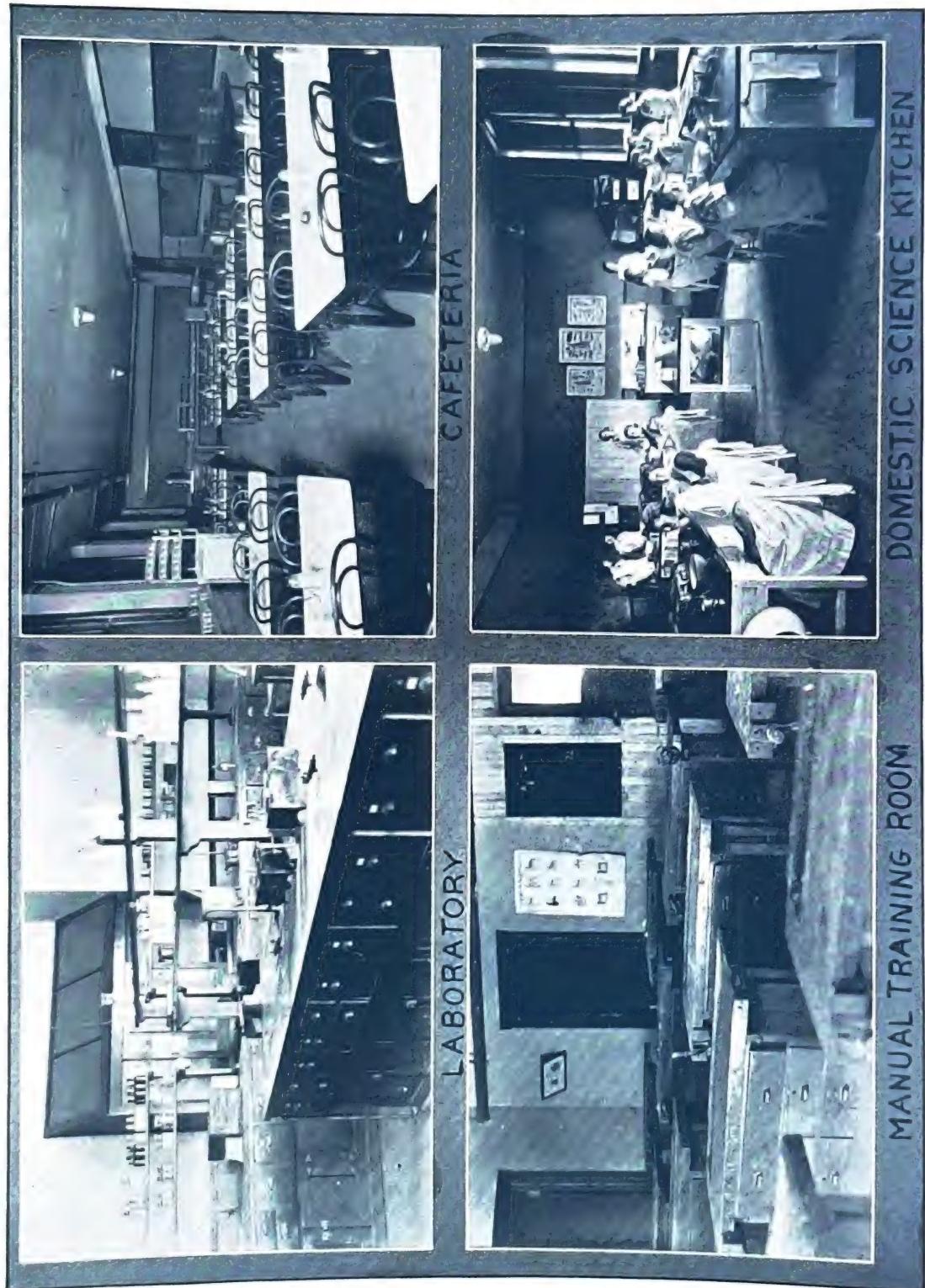






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SENIORS



Seniors



Verco Brinley

Athletic Association.

"His beautiful and thoughtful look"

Thomas Boczkiewicz

'Cherub'
Galatia H. S. 1,2,3

Track, 4

"He has a pretty nose,"

And his cheek is like a rose"

Gertrude Cremeens

Pep Club

Home Ec. Club

"My tongue to me a kingdom is"

Grace Clem

Thompsonville,
1, 2, 3

Basket ball, 4

"Oh, fairest of the rural maids"



Florence Armstrong

Pep Club

Dramatic Club, 3
Debating Club, 3

"And a forehead fair and saintly"

Frances Armstrong

Pep Club

Athletic Association.

Debating Club, 3
"She only crossed her little hands"

Walter Biggs

"Logic is logic—
that's all I say"

Margaret Bentley

'Maggie'

Cheer leader, 3-4

Class Sec'y, 4

Cherry Blossom, 3

Gypsy Rover, 4

Dramatic Club, 3-4

"A soul of nobler tone"



SENIORS (Continued)



Ruth Burks

Dramatic Club, 3-4
Home Ec. Club,
3 and 4
Wohelo Campfire,
3 and 4
Debating, 3
Scarab Staff, 4
"Who many a
glowing kiss had
won"

John Browning

Class President, 1
Class Play, 4
Editor-in-chief of
Scarab, 4
"All by myself"

Ellen Burkhart

Scarab staff, 2
Vice-president
class, 2
Cherry Blossom, 3
Senior Play, 4
Glee Club, 4
"Yet in her shy
expressive face
The touch of ur-
ban arts I
trace"

Emmet Browning

"I am a man of
few words"



Edna Darnell

'Peggy'
Girls' Athletic
Association
Home Ec. Club, 4
Debating Club, 3
Dramatic Club, 3-4
"Quiet talk she
liketh best"

Edna Dollins

Dramatic Club, 3-4
Home Ec. Club, 3-4
Wohelo Campfire,
3 and 4
Class Play, 4
Scarab staff, 4
" 'Tis talk that
makes the world
go round"

Nellie Dillon

Girls' Athletic
Association
Pep Club
Basket ball, 3
Volley ball, 3-4
Home Ec. Club, 3
"Quiet, and sin-
cere and very
much in earnest
in all she does"

Lillian Ewing

Pep Club
Athletic Associa-
tion
Volley ball, 3-4
"And her modest
answer and grace-
ful air"



SENIORS (Continued)



Leland Fletcher

Thompsonville,
1, 2, 3
Basket ball, 4
Track, 4
"An unassuming
boy, in truth
A studious lad of
good repute"

Genevieve Floro

"Frailty, thy
name is woman"

Arthur Gasaway

"In every way a
wonderful boy"

Golda Gore

Scarab staff, 3-4
Orchestra, 4
Girls' Basket ball, 3
"She smiles and
smiles"



Freda Hungate

'Barney'
Girls' Athletic
Association, 3-4
Pep Club
Volley ball, 4
"And her voice, it
murmurs lowly"

Haskel Hart

'Doc'
Athletic Associa-
tion
"A reg'lar town
boy"

Lena Hungate

Junior
Home Ec. Club
"This girl is wise"

Willard S. Hall

Centralia, 1
Ewing, 2
Carbondale, 3
"Lives of great
men all remind
us"



SENIORS (Continued)



**Jennie Maude
Jones**

Volley ball, 3
Camp Fire, 2-3-4
Girls' Athletic
Association, 4
Home Ec. Club,
3, 4
Scarab staff, 4
"Art is power"

Jewel Jones

'Dimples'
Girls' Athletic
Association
Pep Club
"There was a
woman's fearless
eye"

Madge Jones

Pep Club
Cherry Blossom
Senior Play, 4
"There was a lit-
tle girl
Who had a little
curl"

Paul Jones

Zeigler, 1
"There's some-
thing in a noble
boy"



Mary Ketteman

Debating Club, 3
"She's just as
blithe and debon-
air"

George Knapp

Class President, 4
Dramatic Club, 4
'I've taken my fun
where I've found
it"

Florence Kell

Girls' Athletic
Association
Home Ec. Club, 3-4
Pep Club
"How sweet are
looks that ladies
bend on whom
their favors fall"

Lyman Kemmel

Thompsonville
H. S., 1, 2, 3
Track, 4
"Hercules"



SENIORS (Continued)



Marie Larsen

Thurber, Texas,
1, 2, 3
"She dabbled
powder on her
nose"

Virgil Laager

"Kindly pass by
and let me sleep"

Lillian Louis

'Louie'
Dramatic Club, 4
Home Ec. Club, 4
Class Play, 4
"Then be not coy,
but use your time
And while you
may, go marry"

Margaret Love

'Peppy'
Wohelo Campfire
Basket ball, 1
Patty makes
things hum'
Scarab staff, 4
"As modest and
sweet as ever a
maid could be"



Donna Ludlow

Thompsonville,
1-2
Basket ball, 3-4
Pep Club
"Her lips were
red, her looks
were free"

Isabelle Monen

Pep Club
Girls' Athletic
Association
"By diligence she
wins her way"

Marie Monen

Pep Club
Volley ball, 3-4
Basket ball, 3-4
Girls' Athletic
Association
"As modest and
sweet as ever a
maid could be"

Allyne Moore

Pep Club
Volley ball, 4
"Only seven days
a week to primp"



SENIORS (Continued)



Loleta Morgan

Glee Club, 4
Home Ec. Club, 4
Girls' Quartet, 3
"Oh, fairest of the
rural maids"

Ruby Morgan

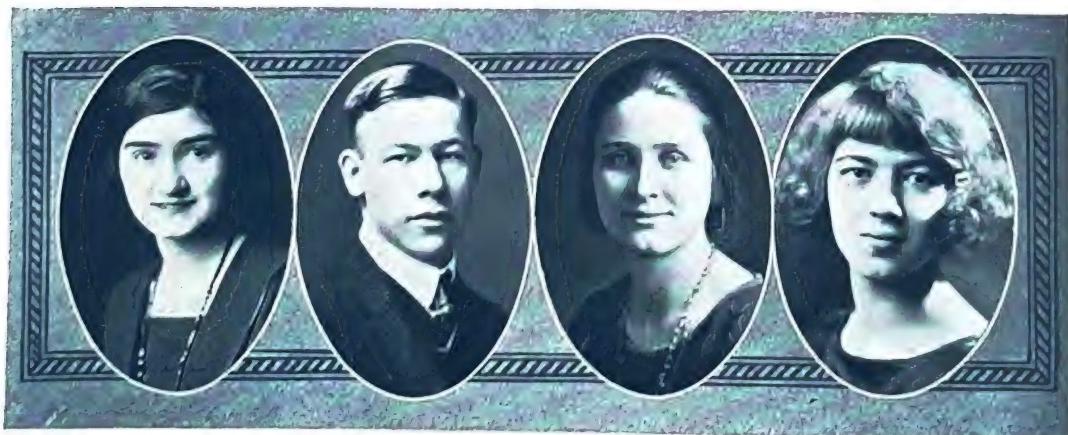
Volley ball, 2
Girls' Glee Club
Home Ec. Club
Scarab staff, 4
"Modest and shy
as a nun"

Charles Nolen

'Bazoo'
Agriculture Club
"I've had my
pickin' o' sweet-
hearts"

Laura Moss

'Zip'
Home Ec. Club,
2, 3, 4
Dramatic Club,
2, 3, 4
Debating team, 4
Scarab staff, 4
"She's not a flow-
er, not a pearl
Just a nice sweet
all round girl"



Bernice Shepherd

'Shep'
Pep Club
"She doesn't mind
if she isn't run-
ning things"

Eugene Stewart

Baseball, 2, 3, 4
Football, 3, 4
"One who loves,
yet fears all
womankind"

Madge Steiner

"She is good na-
tured and very
studious"

Ruth Stilley

Pep Club
Cherry Blossom, 3
Class Sect'y, 3
Home Ec. Club
"A free-hearted
careless one"



SENIORS (Continued)



Lola Parkhill

Home Ec. Club, 4
Pep Club
Athletic Association
"Kind o' volcano
she were"

Terry Rainey

Dramatic Club
Class Play, 4
Searab staff, 4
"The more you
'ave known o' the
others the less
you will settle to
one"

Benjamin Richards

"Oy-yoi-yoi"

Arthur Roberts

'Bull'
Football, 1, 2, 3,
captain, 4
Vice-pres., class 4
Searab staff, 4
"Thou art the
peer of any man"

Oma Ruffing

Thompsonville,
1, 2, 3
"Beautiful to look
upon"

Gussie Saletra

Pep Club
"Nobody's enemy"

Wayne Shaw

Thompsonville,
1, 2, 3
"The shiek of
Thompsonville"

Eva Sanders

Pep Club
Home Ec. Club, 4
Girls' Athletic
Association
"A charm attends
her everywhere"





SENIORS (Continued)



Anna Joplin

Class Play, 4
Scarab staff, 4
"When she is bad
she is horrid"

**Thomas
Whittenburg**

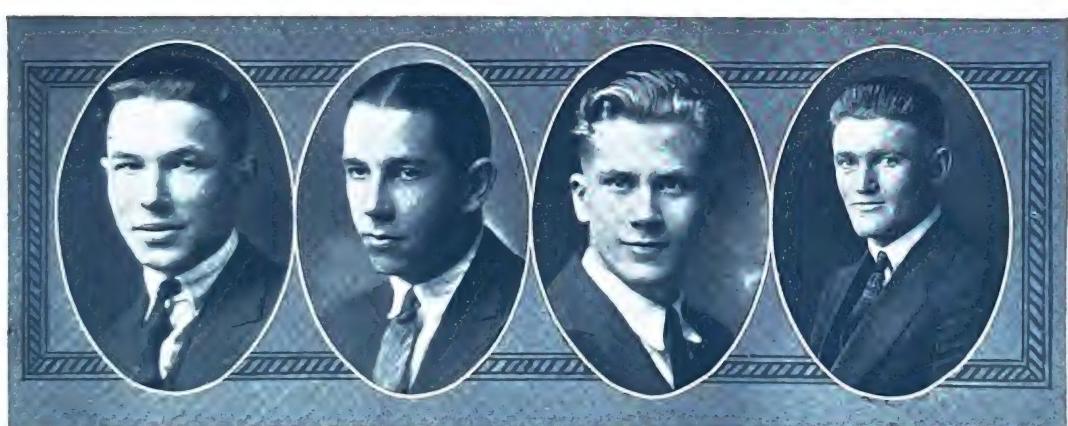
Alto Pass, 1, 2, 3
Debating Team, 4
Gypsy Rover, 4
Senior Play, 4
"I've rogued and
I've ranged in my
time"

Madge Wingo

Ewing Academy, 1
Home Ec. Club, 4
"The fairest of
damsels"

Ezra Malone

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4
Track, 1, 2, 3, 4
Agriculture Club,
3-4
"Now I aren't no
hand with the la-
dies"



William Threewit

"I refuse to be
twitted"

Lajoie Foulk

'Kooster'
Basket ball, 1, 2,
3, 4
Football, 2, 3, 4
Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4
"This youth has
sense and spirit"

Robert Eubanks

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4
Track, 3, 4
Athletic Associa-
tion
"Yet beautiful and
bright he stood"

Geoffrey Moore

'Red'
Football, 1, 2, 3, 4
Track, 1, 2,
(Capt.) 3 and 4
Agriculture Club,
3 and 4
"You can always
trust him to do
his best"



SENIORS (Continued)



Dorothy May Warren

Wohelo Camp
Fire, 3 and 4
Home Ec. Club, 4
Patty makes
things hum'
Glee Club, 4
Scarab staff, 4
"Her dread of
books and love of
fun"

Thelma Williams

Pep Club
Athletic Associa-
tion
Debating Club, 3
"Doll in a teacup
she were"

Mary Warren

Pep Club
Girls' Athletic
Association
Volley ball, 4
Basket ball, 3
Scarab staff, 4
"She holds that
true worth is be-
ing, not seeming"

**Frances E.
Williams**

Athletic Associa-
tion
Glee Club, 4
Dramatic Club, 3-4
Home Ec. Club,
3 and 4
" 'Twas then I
chanced to see
her eyes
'Dear Lord', I
thought, 'This
girl is wise' "



Vallie Whitington

Dramatic Club, 3-4
Debating team, 4
Athletic Associa-
tion
"Who deserves
well needs not
another's praise"

Mildred Ashbaugh

Cherry Blossom, 3
Home, Ec. Club,
3, 4
Girl's Athletic
Association
"How fair she
grew from day to
day"

Kent Harris

Cherry Blossom
Track, 3, 4
"Hee haw"

Ted R. Ragsdale

Galatia H. S., J.
2, 3
"I want to see my
Gladys"



SENIORS (Continued)



Guy Roberts

'Squirrel'
Football, 2, 3, 4
"He's witty and wise"

Clogne Tate

Pep Club
Debating team, 4
"There's not a rose wherever I seek
As comely as this baby's cheek"

Carmen Burgess

Junior

Duppe Rea

Class treasurer, 2
Golf, 4
"Silence is golden"



Crystal Waller

Orchestra, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Athletic Association
Pep Club
Scarab staff, 4
"Oh would some power the giftie gie us
To see oursel's as ithers see us"

Charles Seeber

'Bus'
Basket ball, 2, 3
"My true love has my heart and I have hers"

Erlemond Stalcup

Pep Club
Gypsy Rover, 4
Home Ec. Club, 4
Wohelo Campfire, 2, 3, 4
Girl's Glee Club

Wendell Frier

Football, 2, 3, 4
Gypsy Rover, 4
Class president, 3
Class Play, 4
Business manager of "The Scarab"





Senior Class History

Please don't think we are boasting when you read this. We are only stating facts as they are. This is the question the Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores were asking when we entered B. T. H. S., September first, Nineteen hundred nineteen, "What is that bright and shining light we see where the Freshmen should be?" We have continued to be that bright and shining light all through our High School career, but this being our last year we must move to a higher rung on the ladder and leave room for next year's class.

We organized our class and started on our way with John Browning, Giles Meads and Ruth Perry as our officers. Miss Bernadine Strawn was our class advisor. During this eventful year we entertained the Sophs once and ourselves once.

When we met as Sophs a few changes were made. Our class advisor having deserted us, we had to find another and this time the task fell to Miss Mildred Seymour. The officers for that year were Julius Dillon, Ellen Burkhart, and Duppe Rea. During our Sophomore year we were entertained by the Freshmen and again we entertained ourselves. Both parties were considered a success by all who attended. That year we fairly shone in athletics—in both football and basketball. Our class team won the first class tournament.

We were very proud and happy when we met as Juniors, because we were now looked upon as higher classmen. That year our officers were Wendell Frier, president; Margaret Bentley, vice-president; Ruby Aiken, Secretary; Ruth Stilley, treasurer. We decided we could do no better than keep Miss Seymour as class advisor. We entertained the Sophomores at a Hallowe'en party, and then next was the Junior-Senior Prom which was a great success. As Juniors we held a high place in Music, Dramatics, Athletics, and in class room work.

At last! We have reached the goal and are dignified Seniors. The officers chosen to transact our business this year are George Knapp, president; Arthur Roberts, vice-president; Margaret Bentley, secretary; John Browning, treasurer. Our first social event of the year was a guest dance given in the Elk's Hall. The greatest social event of the year, the Junior-Senior reception was a very pretty affair. "Clarence" was given by the class at the Capitol theater, and it was a great success.

We owe much of our success during our high school career to the sound advice of our advisor, Miss Seymour.



Last Will and Testament of the Class of 1923

We, the Senior class of nineteen twenty-three of the Benton Township High School of the city of Benton, county of Franklin, being of sound memory and disposing mind, aware of the shortness of our remaining time and the certainty of graduation, do wish to make disposition of the following things which we have acquired through our four years of toil.

This, to be our last will and testament, is to supersede and make null all former wills.

After payment of our funeral expenses we do make disposition to the following parties the severally mentioned rights, privileges and properties:

- To Mrs. Davis, the crown of authority.
- To Dorothy Cantrell, a letter.
- To Mr. Trank, a new line.
- To Margaret Vise, a lesson on baby talk.
- To Sid Neal, a shave.
- To Ruth Browning, a brain.
- To Miss Roy, a little pep.
- To Floyd Hall, a little fat rascal.
- To the school a yell leader that will yell.
- To 'Botch' Jones, Wendell Frier's set of Wallace Reducing records.
- To Joe Stalcup, a winning team.
- To Mattie Sullivan, a Music II report.
- To Justin Adams, a little size.
- To Virginia Trout, a dance every night.
- To Miss Colcord, a brilliant Cicero class.
- To Ruth Martin, an Eastern accent.
- To Wade Barrick, a hair cut.
- To "Buck" Kelley, a "hot" number.
- To Miss Engle, a man who will pay her some attention.
- To Dale Smith, position as assistant conductor of orchestra.
- To Herbert McAfoos, just a little sense.
- To Bill Jackson, something to make him wild.
- To Charles Haggard, just one intelligent thought.
- To Pete Sharp, a Merry Xmas, Happy New Year.



LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF CLASS OF 1923 (Continued)

To Miss McShea, a date.
To Ernest Miller, position as flunkie for orchestra.
To Mr. Henson, a couch.
To Elpha Doty, a serious thought.
To Rea Jones, Golda Gore's brilliance in Latin.
To Edith Floro, an indulgent mamma.
To Miss Annin, Mr. Trank's quiet 3rd hour assembly.
To Thelma Fuller, a permanent car.
To Nellie Alexander, an electric hair curler.
To Izzy Eskew, a credit in French.
To Miss Sense, a sack of popcorn.
To Joe Nolen, some of Izzy's "Grape juice."
To Alice Gardner, a big party.
To Charles Hochman, freedom from "David."
To Marg Waller, A Freshman Fellow.
To Johnny Schultz, a bottle of Stacombe.
To Miss Longbons, more temperament and less temper.
To Fred Werner, a pair of stilts.
To Mary Dollins, somebody to talk to.
To Earl Doty, a rattlin' good Ford.
To Miss Seymour, the position of class advisor to Freshmen.
To Thomas Quillman, a ruffle for his pants.
To John Russell, a package of cigarettes.
To Miss Stonecipher, a brighter French class.
To Margaret Fitzgerrell, a loud-speaker on her violin.
To Margaret Fisher, her Cecil.
To George Gore, a perpetual grin.
To John Gilmore, a steady girl.
To Miss Annin, ideals of this Senior Class.
To Charlotte Davis, principal part in next year's operetta.
To Miss Ernest, a lover.
To Frances Hickman, a true conception of her importance.
To Smitty, a studious assembly.
To Natho, a powder puff.
To Tabor, interest in the fair sex.
To Dorothy Moore, a real giggle.
To Miss Creameans, a book on etiquette.
To Wells, a muddy automobile.
To Ed, some more authority.
To Sarah Jessup, five ninth periods a week.
Lastly we do appoint Jerome Rea of Benton, Ill., to be the executor of this will.

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EXCERPTS FROM WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA

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ARMSTRONG, FLORENCE. musician; b. 1905, Vienna, Austria. Educated at Bessie Conservatoire. Leader in new musical school whose chief characteristic is abolishment of Cresendo. Composer of "The Vacant Henhouse", "To a Goldfish", and others. Address: Montpelier, Vermont.

ARMSTRONG FRANCES. (Mrs. Verco Brinley) Art critic, writer. b. In Virginia, 1906. Society Editor, Evening News, Benton, Illinois. Contributor of poems, stories, and critiques to art and literary magazines since 1929. Author: Sculpture of Leland Fletcher. Home: Lewisburg, West Virginia.

BENTLEY, MARGARET. operatic soprano. b. Winchester, Virginia, 1905. Went to Paris, studied voice under Ashbaugh. Debut in title role of Louise at Opera Comique, Paris. Since has appeared each season with Chicago Grand Opera Company. Gained recognition for impersonation of such characters as Marguerite and Melisande. Address Chicago Opera Association. Chicago, Illinois.

BIGGS, WALTER. College professor. b. Louisville, Kentucky, 1904. A. B. Indiana University. A. M., Ph. D., LLD., University of Frankfort Heights. Married Edna Darnell, Niagara Falls. President of Notre Dame. Address: 28 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.

BOCZKIEWICZ, THOMAS. Clergyman, b. Cairo, Illinois, 1905.; A. B. Thompsonville Seminary (D.D. 1927); Married Oma Ruffing of Emporia, Kansas. Right Reverend Pastor of Christian Church of Benton, Illinois. Address 403 S. Main Street.

BROWNING, EMMETT. Telephone official. b. Black Fiber

Falls, Wisconsin. Married Gertrude Cremeans of Chicago, Illinois. General Manager of Illinois Bell Telephone Company, president 1942. Clubs, Chicago Yacht, Industrial; Home: 212 W. Washington St., Chicago, Illinois. **BROWNING, JOHN.** Lawyer, banker. b. Wells River, Vermont. A. B. Harvard, LL. B. Northwestern U. Law School; Cowboy and teamster until 1943, entered law firm of Browning and Eubanks 1947; Democratic candidate for Mayor of Chicago. Home: Amherst, Wisconsin. Established reputation over Three-wit-Stalcup divorce case.

BURKHART, ELLEN. pianist, composer, b. Denver, Colorado, 1905. Moved to Los Angeles 1907; studied piano with Leopold Godowsky, Berlin, Germany. Gave concert of her compositions at New York, Feb. 31, 1927. Composer of piano, string, and orchestra pieces. Home: 2850 Leeward Ave., Los Angeles, California.

BURKS, RUTH. Household economist. b. Cincinnati, Ohio, 1906. Graduate of Drexel Institute Philadelphia. Editor of Home Department of Ladies Home Journal. Author: Laundering, How to make Chicken Pie out of Pork Chops. Address: Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.

CLEM, GRACE. Playwright. b. St. Louis, Mo. A. B. Vassar, 1904. Course in stage craft, Little Theater, Art Institute of Chicago. Has specialized since 1906 in story telling and dramatizing them. Author: Moonbabies. Address: 205 Blackstone Ave., Chicago, Ill.

DILLON, NELLIE. Portrait painter. b. Baltimore, 1904. Pursued art studies at Royal Academy. Vienna. Has paint-



EXCERPTS FROM (Continued)

ed portraits of Mme. Ashbaugh of Paris, Mrs. Edna Darnell Biggs. Studio: 1353 Mountgreen Ave., Baltimore, Md.

EWING, LILLIAN. Journalist. b. Madison, Wisconsin, 1904. Married Vallie Whittington, Editor, St. Paul (Minn.) Times. On staff of Thompsonville Daily Gazette. Author: Cigarettes, the Stain on a Nation. Home: Cambridge, Mass.

FLETCHER, LELAND. Sculptor. b. Victory, N. Y., 1904. Studied Ecole des Beau Arts gold medal Philadelphia Exposition. Married Gertrude Cremeans of Troy, N. Y. Author: The Future of American Sculpture. Studio: 2001 H. Street, Washington, D. C.

GAMMON, CHESTER. Geologist. b. Salem, Michigan, 1903. A. B. Kalamazoo College. Married Freda Hungate of St. Louis, Mo. Field assistant to the Vinegar Hill earthquake, member of Geological Society of London. Author: Geology of Coal Belt of S. Illinois. Address: Columbia, S. C.

HALL, WILLARD S. Physician. b. Lithuania, Russia, 1902. M. D. College of Physicians and Surgeons. Married Florence Kell of Aberdeen, Mississippi; died 1932, 2nd wife, Marie Monen of Watkins, N. Y. Lectured throughout U. S. Author: The food-value of potato peelings. Office 126 Broadway, Willinette, Ill.

HARRIS, KENT. Chemist. b. Altamont, Ill., 1903. B. S. U. of Illinois. Chemist in P. and G. Soap Factory. Married Mary Ketteman. Chemist in Ordnance Dept. of U. S. Army. Food and drug chemist Buffalo Laboratory. Home: 212 Crescent Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

HART, HASKELL. Rear Admiral U. S. Navy. b. Watertown, N. Y.,

1903. Appointed to U. S. Naval Academy from N. Y. Unmarried. Active service on board steamer Utah. Torpedo duty. Retired rear-admiral. Home: Galesville, Wis.

HAYES, ANSEL. Diplomat. b. Hongkong, China, 1904. A. B. Cornell U. Married Isabelle Monen. Acting commissioner foreign affairs to Kirin. Minister to Great Britain, 1930. Delegate to World Conference at London, 1941. Address: 1419 N. Main Ave., Scranton, Pa.

JACKSON, CHARLES. Editor. b. Cincinnati, 1904. A. B. and A. M. at Yale, also studied at Berlin and Paris. Married Lillian Louis of Elmwood, Ill. Admitted to bar 1926. Purchased controlling interest in Thompsonville Daily Gazette. Delegate at large to Republican National Convention 1940. Home, 4734 Wall Street, Thompsonville, Ill.

JONES, JENNIE MAUDE. Cartoonist. b. Athens, Alabama, 1904. Studied art at Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Illustrator for 3 years. Cartoonist Benton Evening News. Studio: 406 W. 13th St., Appleton, N. H.

JONES, MADGE. Actress. b. New York, 1905. Convent education.

Debut in "The Old Fellow" New York. Appeared in leading parts in "The Turtle", "Just to Get Married", "What's What" and "Midnight". Home: 5370 Pershing Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

JONES, PAUL. Judge. b. Preston, Georgia, 1905. Graduated from law department of Cumberland U. Admitted to bar and practised at Athens. Trustee of University of Alabama. Justice Supreme Court of Alabama. Address: Montgomery, Alabama.

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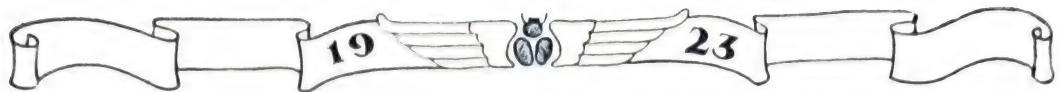
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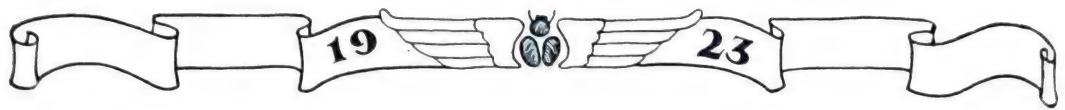
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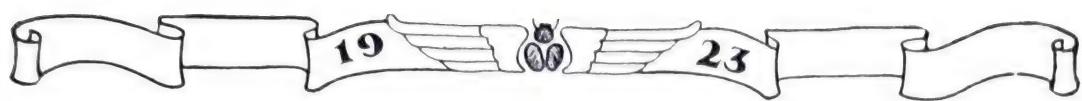


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Floyd Hall	Cecil Snider
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Mae Hammond	



Junior Class History

Oh, Evolu, Oh, Evolu,
There's nothing in this world you cannot do;
You took a monkey and changed
Him to a man long since 'tis true.
But now you've brought a greater
phenomenon to pass—
You took the class of '24, an embryonic mass,
And changed it by a miracle
Into the Junior Class!
Oh, Eva, Iva, Ova, Evolution.

"Hoot! Here they come. Look 'em over! Aren't they green?"
That's what the Freshies get the world over.

Why, at first we were so green we thought class meetings were places to study Latin and Algebra, but just look at us now. The best Junior class Benton ever had.

We elected Miss Gantz, advisor; Fritz Williams, president; Carl Whittington, vice-president; and Sid Neal, secretary-treasurer at our first class meeting. Orange and Black were chosen as class colors. In February we entertained the Sophomores with a Valentine party. We entertained ourselves with a picnic at the dam in the spring.

Only one hundred two of the original one hundred fifty-six came back the second year. We elected Miss Annin, advisor; Fritz Williams, president; Marion Kelley, vice-president; and Constance Skinner, secretary-treasurer. We entertained the Juniors with a Hallowe'en party and took the Freshmen for a picnic at the dam.

This year we have only ninety-six, but they surely can make things hum. Marion Kelley was elected president; Constance Skinner, vice-president; and Mary Dollins, secretary-treasurer. The girls are having a very successful year in their athletics.

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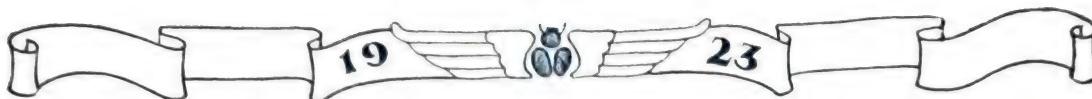
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UNDER-CLASSES





SOPHOMORE CLASS

SOPHOMORE ROLL

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JUSTIN ADAMS
BLANCHE AIKEN
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ELIZABETH BARTH
ALFRED BAYS
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GERTRUDE UPDEGRAFF
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FRESHMAN GIRLS



FRESHMAN BOYS



FRESHMAN ROLL

EDITH AIKEN	DELSIA HODGE	VIRGIL PYLES
NELLIE ALEXANDER	PIERCE HOWERTON	DEVOE REA
WHOBREY ALLEN	DIXON HUNGATE	GUY REA
BYFORD BAIN	LOGAN HUNGATE	JEROME REA
EUGENE BASCOM	ORIN HUTCHCRAFT	PAULINE REA
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SEEBER CREMEEENS	VIVIAN LOWRY	IDA SPAHT
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RANSOM DOTY	HEARTSEL MALONE	GEORGIA SWAIN
JEWEL DRAKE	LOTTA MANIS	CECIL TATE
MARY DURHAM	MARY MOLESKI	GAIL TEDROW
OPAL EASLEY	CARL MONEN	ROY THOMAS
RUTH EASLEY	ROSCOE MOONEYHAM	PHILIP TIPPIE
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Sophomore History

Our Freshman class last year totaled one hundred sixty. At our first class meeting we elected R. Z. Hickman, president; Margaret Vise, vice-president; Whobrey Allen, secretary-treasurer; and Mr. Parkhill, advisor. These officers proved to be splendid. Purple and white were chosen for our class colors.

This year we have only one hundred twenty-two, but we are getting along splendidly. We have elected Roland Harris, president; Fred Werner, vice-president; and Dorothy Cantrell, secretary-treasurer. We have determined that Mr. Parkhill shall be our advisor as long as he will stay with us. Our class yell leader is John Gilmore, who came to us this year from Mt. Vernon.

Freshman History

September eleventh, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, one hundred seventy-eight Freshmen entered the Benton Township High School. That is the largest class that ever entered this school.

When our first class meeting was held the following officers were elected; Joe Nolen, president; Enos Perry, vice-president; Mural Wilson, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Trank was elected to be our class advisor. Blue and white were chosen for our class colors.

September thirteenth a very pretty party was given for the Freshmen at the High School.

We hope that the class of '25 will be the largest that ever graduated from B. T. H. S. and that it will be long remembered.



LOGAN DEPARTMENT OF THE FRESHMAN CLASS

The Logan branch of the B. T. H. S. opened school, September eleventh, nineteen twenty-two with an enrollment of nineteen.

Mr. Jackson visits us regularly and on one occasion Miss Longbons, Mr. Parkhill, and Crystal Waller accompanied him and entertained us with music and a talk on agriculture.

Tennis and basket ball teams were organized. The basket ball team played the following teams: Thompsonville, Sesser, Benton City Schools, and West Frankfort City Schools. We were defeated in the Southern Illinois Junior High School tournament by Marion.

Our class was divided into Ruskin and Emerson societies. We had two parties and a weiner roast.

Our class was invited to visit the high school at Benton on April tenth. We were kindly received and hospitably entertained by Mr. Jackson, the faculty, and the entire student body.

Our class colors are maroon and white and our motto is "Know the truth."

CLASS ROLL

HELEN HARRISS	LAWRENCE NEAL	ROSA MONTI
HELEN RUTH MATHIS	DAY MOORE	WILLIE M'FADDEN
CARTER BRINLEY	REBA BELL	KATIE BOLEN
MONT HEARD	HARVEY GOESSMAN	RUTH CARDWELL
MABEL NEAL	JESSE BERRY	LURA GLOVER
ZELPHA WELLS	IRMA ALYN	FLORENCE SUMMERS
BROWN CARPENTER		



ATHLETICS





MR. TABOR

The 1923 Season

Prospects for a successful football season at B. T. H. S. were bright as most of the players on the nineteen twenty-two championship team were back in school. Coach Tabor being unfamiliar with the players started practice before school began. After a few days, practice settled to genuine hard work. 'Tabe' soon developed a heavy shifty line and a backfield that looked as if they might cause any opposing team a great deal of worry.

The first game with West Frankfort was marked by the usual number of fumbles and Benton's lack of defence against the open attack. However we completely outclassed them in other ways and won.

The following week was spent in improving the weak spots in preparation for Eldorado. The fact that Eldorado only made first down twice indicates the work of the line while the Benton backs simply tore the Eldorado defence to pieces.

The three following games with Marion, Mt. Carmel, and Cairo were simply reproductions of the Eldorado game; Benton winning them all by overwhelming scores. The East St. Louis game was the only blot on an otherwise perfect season. The fact that the entire first string backfield was in a crippled condition takes some of the sting out of the defeat, though. The next Saturday Benton played at Harrisburg. The team had not entirely recovered from the effects of the injuries received at East St. Louis, so 'Tabe' was forced to change to a more open attack. Harrisburg had hopes of avenging their last year's defeat, but they were sadly disappointed. The last game of the season was played with Fairfield. The Fairfield boys put up a good fight, but they could not stop the Red Devils.

At the close of the season Mr. Warren placed Benton, Flora and Murphysboro in a tie for the championship. Two Benton men were placed on the all star team—Captain Roberts at halfback and Captain-elect Stalcup at end.



Top row—Jones, Doty, Sharp, Stone, Jackson.

Second row—Natho, Moore, Roberts, Hall, Gammon, Denham,
Tabor (coach).

First row—Foult, Stalcup, Frier, Eubanks, Taylor, Malone, Stewart.

SCORES

Benton.....	19	West Frankfort.....	12
Benton.....	63	Eldorado	0
Benton.....	13	Marion	0
Benton.....	33	Mt. Carmel.....	0
Benton.....	53	Cairo	0
Benton.....	12	East St. Louis.....	19
Benton.....	26	Harrisburg	0
Benton.....	30	Fairfield	0



FOOTBALL



CROSSING CAIRO'S GOAL FOR THE THIRD TIME



ARTHUR ROBERTS

Opponents tried in vain to build a defence to stop him. He has made a wonderful captain.



JOE STALCUP

His size and speed made him an ideal tackle. As captain next year Joe can be depended on to do his part.



GEOFFREY MOORE

Red ended his fourth year in great style. He is very fast and his defence was near perfect.



FOOTBALL (Continued)



RED MOORE STARTING OUT FOR A NICE GAIN



ROBERT EUBANKS

Bob was an ideal center. Playing three years without making a bad pass is an enviable record.



EZRA MALONE

Ezra is another four year man. Rather light, but a deadly tackler and very speedy.



LAJOIE FOULK

Not fast or flashy but always dependable. For opponents to attempt an end run around Kooster was useless.



FOOTBALL (Continued)



STRAIGHT THROUGH HARRISBURG FOR EIGHT YARDS
AND A TOUCHDOWN



WENDELL FRIER

Wendell used his weight to an advantage and frequently broke up plays before they were hardly started.



CLARENCE TAYLOR

Clarence was another dependable lineman. He always went low and was a sure tackler.



EUGENE STEWART

Tall and rangy with plenty of weight Gene fulfilled all requirements for an end.



FOOTBALL (Continued)



BENTON'S FAMOUS CROSBUCK



FLOYD HALL

Floyd is a very versatile back. He will be a valuable man next year.



CARL DENHAM

Chuck was a fighter. An accurate passer and a vicious tackler.



CHESTER GAMMON

Chester's weight, speed and driving power made him an ideal fullback.



FOOTBALL (Continued)



BENTON GOING OVER IN HER USUAL STYLE



EARL DOTY

His scrap and determination make him a very valuable player.

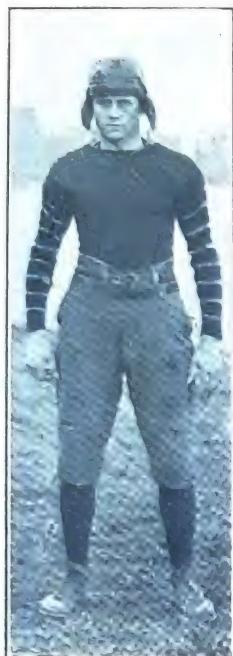


GUY ROBERTS

If Squirrel were just a little heavier he would be a fighter of the first water.



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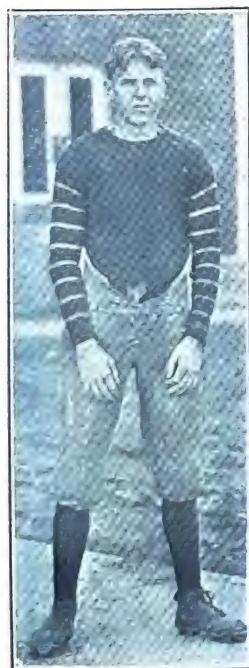
ROLAND HARRIS

Polly with his ability will be a valuable man next year.



WHOBREY ALLEN

Sam is not heavy but fast and a very clever runner.



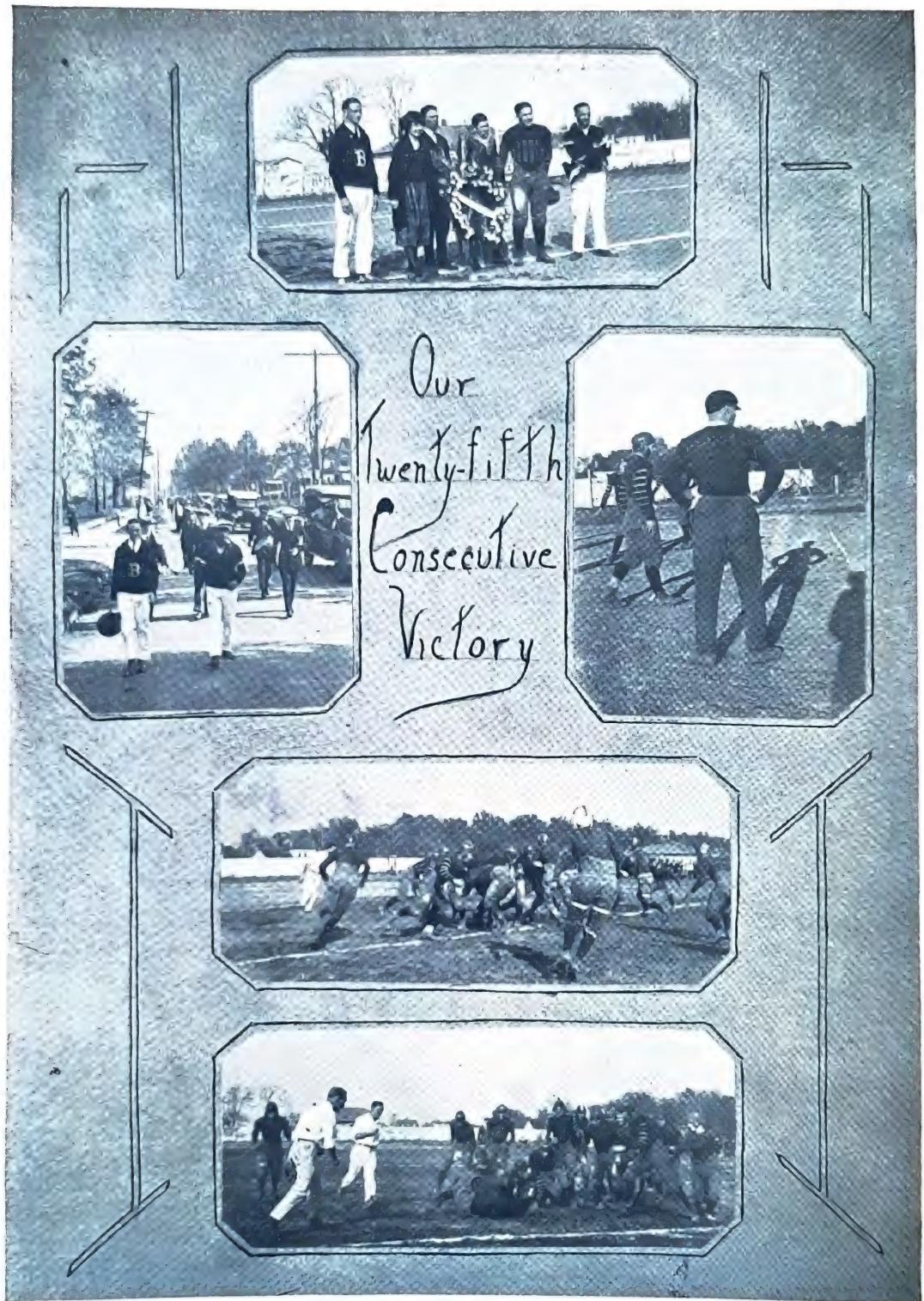
FRANK STONE

Frank got into action at E. St. Louis and showed that he is a player of ability.

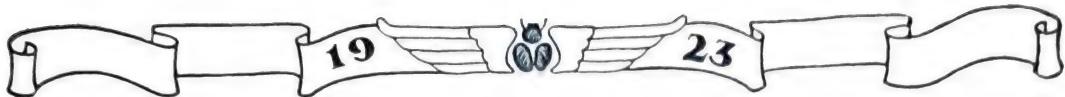


ELLIS SHARP

Pete is a willing player and a fighter thru and thru.



Our
Twenty-fifth
Consecutive
Victory



Basketball

Our basket ball season opened less than two weeks after the close of the football season. Our first game was with Chester, December fifteenth and between that date and the close of the season we played twenty-eight games and won fifteen of them. Most of the defeats came near the beginning of the season.

Owing to injuries and ineligibility of several of the boys the personnel of the team at the close of the season was quite different than at the beginning. We had no sure shots and no sensational dribblers, but we did have a group of heady players who never said quit. Their outstanding redeeming feature was their scrap and their ability to come back strong in the last quarter.

The team never took a slump or went 'stale', but kept getting better from game to game and were probably at their best during the tournament. In the tournament at West Frankfort we had little trouble defeating Harrisburg in our first game, but we were defeated by West Frankfort in the second one. According to 'dope' and the scores we undoubtedly had the second best team there.

Of the first eight men on the squad we lose only two, and with the remaining six and an abundance of material from the second team we hope to have a winning team next year.



BASKETBALL (Continued)

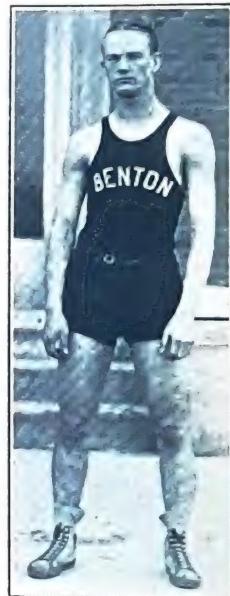
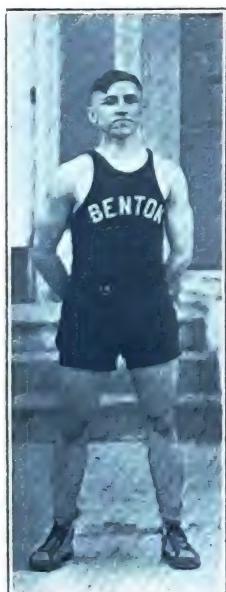
LAJOIE FOULK

All Benton was glad to see Kooster don a suit after being out of the game for several weeks. Besides being captain and free throw tosser, Kooster had the added burden of his aluminum mask. Koster's greatest pleasure was to penetrate a five man defence and he could certainly do it well. We regret that he will be absent at the first call practice next year.



FLOYD HALL

Floyd is the sort of player that every coach likes to have. He played every position, but ended up as forward. He's quick, dribbles well and is a good shot. Great things are expected of him next year.



RAYMOND WYANT

Pewee is not big, but it is a big task to go around, over or under him. He is always following the ball and he is in the game every minute. He breaks fast from offense to defense and seems to be everywhere at once.

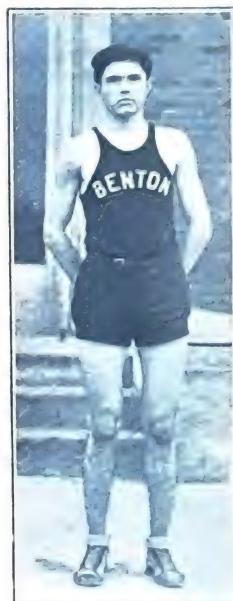


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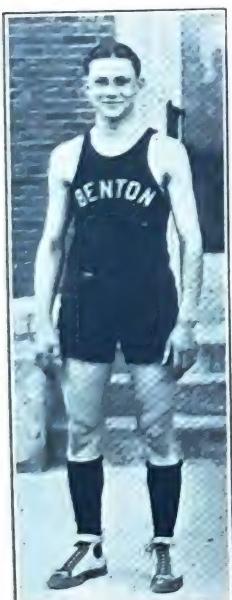
FRANK STONE

Because of Rocky's height and long shot ability he was started out as center, but he was soon shifted to back guard. He was the find of the season. He strengthened the team's offense because of the speed with which he could grab the ball off the backboard and get it down the floor. Watch Frank next year.



EARL DOTY

Earl said he was too awkward to play basket-ball, but one seeing him in action would think differently. He was green at the game, but he learned rapidly and he was always a dangerous man.



ROLAND HARRIS

Polly is another versatile player, but his cleverness was not discovered until the middle of the season. He is the smashing type that always comes out of the scramble with the ball. With two years ahead of him he should make a record to be proud of.



BASKETBALL (Continued)



WHOBREY ALLEN

Sam lacks nothing in speed, willingness or ability to break into an opening, but his poor eye for the basket is all that keeps him from being an unstoppable forward.



CECIL WHITE

Cecil broke into the game at back-guard and alternated at that position with Stone. He shows promise, and he would be a valuable man on any team.

B. T. H. S. Record

Benton..14	Chester	15	Benton..21	Mt. Vernon....11	
Benton..25	Carbondale	24	Benton..29	Johnston City..14	
Benton..18	Salem	17	Benton..12	Christopher15	
Benton..14	Mt. Carmel....	26	Benton..16	West Frankfort 33	
Benton.. 8	Marion	15	Benton..21	Christopher14	
Benton..13	Johnston City..	9			
Benton..12	Pickneyville....	19			
Benton..57	Vienna	6	Benton..28	Thompsonville.. 6	
Benton..10	Marion	25	Benton..22	Sesser	29
Benton..19	West Frankfort	32	Benton..10	Thompsonville.. 6	
Benton.. 8	Mt. Vernon....	12	Benton..43	Zeigler..... 7	
Benton..19	Mt. Carmel....	25	Benton..25	Galatia.....17	
Benton..25	Pickneyville ...	21	Benton..36	Johnston City.. 9	
Benton..27	Fairfield	9	Benton.. 8	Chester.....15	

SECOND TEAM

Benton..28	Thompsonville..	6
Benton..22	Sesser	29
Benton..10	Thompsonville..	6
Benton..43	Zeigler.....	7
Benton..25	Galatia.....17	
Benton..36	Johnston City..	9
Benton.. 8	Chester.....15	



Baseball

OUR 1922 RECORD

Benton.....	5	Town Team.....	4
Benton.....	14	Herrin	4
Benton.....	14	Broughton	9
Benton.....	11	Christopher	5
Benton.....	14	Herrin	1
Benton.....	9	S. I. Normal.....	7
Benton.....	12	Christopher	9
Benton.....	9	S. I. Normal.....	11

Benton had the best baseball team in Southern Illinois in 1922, one that any high school might be proud of. While there was some real talent on the team, it was a remarkably well balanced team with no abnormally weak spots. Paul Whittington closed his high school career as a pitcher with his fourth good season. Pitching all the games but two he won all except the second game with the Carbondale Normal. When he did not pitch he played the outfield in great style. At the bat he was always good for a long hit in the pinch. We look for Whit to land in very fast company some of these days. "Poody" Harris pitched two good games, coming through in great shape. As a mound artist Poody was everything. He can play every other position on the diamond besides. The best high school infield in the country was "Chuck" Denham at first base; "Poody" Harris as second; Bill Foulk at short; and Kooster Foulk at third. Nothing was too hot for those lads to smother. The gardeners were Floyd Hall, Fritz Williams and Gene Stewart with Vallie Flack as first relief man.



BASEBALL (Continued)

They covered the outfield like a blanket. The only balls that they missed were the ones that went over the fence. Gene was a capable substitute at second when Poody pitched. Hall was ready to don the mask and protector whenever necessary, but "Fee~~t~~" Taylor went through the season without missing an inning. We shall miss him this year. Most of the team that made such a record for two seasons is gone, but there is Kooster, who ought to be the best infielder in high school baseball this year, and around him will be grouped Stewart, Hall, Williams, and Flack. These will be the nucleus of another good team.



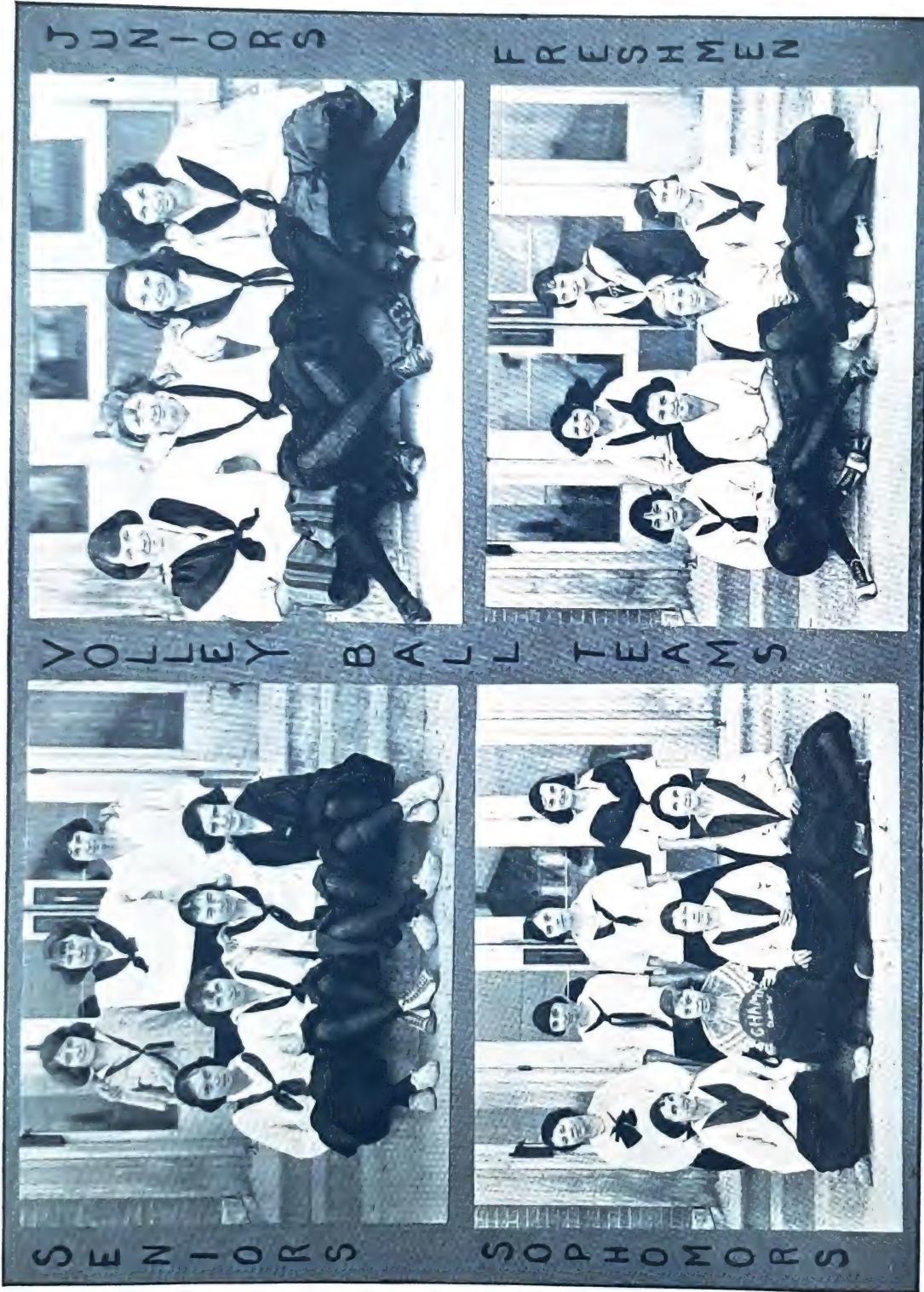
Track

The track team of nineteen twenty-two was one of the best that ever represented B. T. H. S. The first event of the season was the Relay Carnival at Champaign. The relay team composed of Geoffrey Moore, Ray Kell, Bill Brinley and Joe Stalcup won fourth there. The first dual meet was with Mt. Vernon, and Benton won by a large score. The next meet was with Marion, and Benton won out over them for the first time in years. It was a close contest and was not decided until the last event. In the County Meet, Benton scored more points than all the other teams. At the Southern Illinois Meet though, Marion managed to win out and Benton had to be contented with second place.

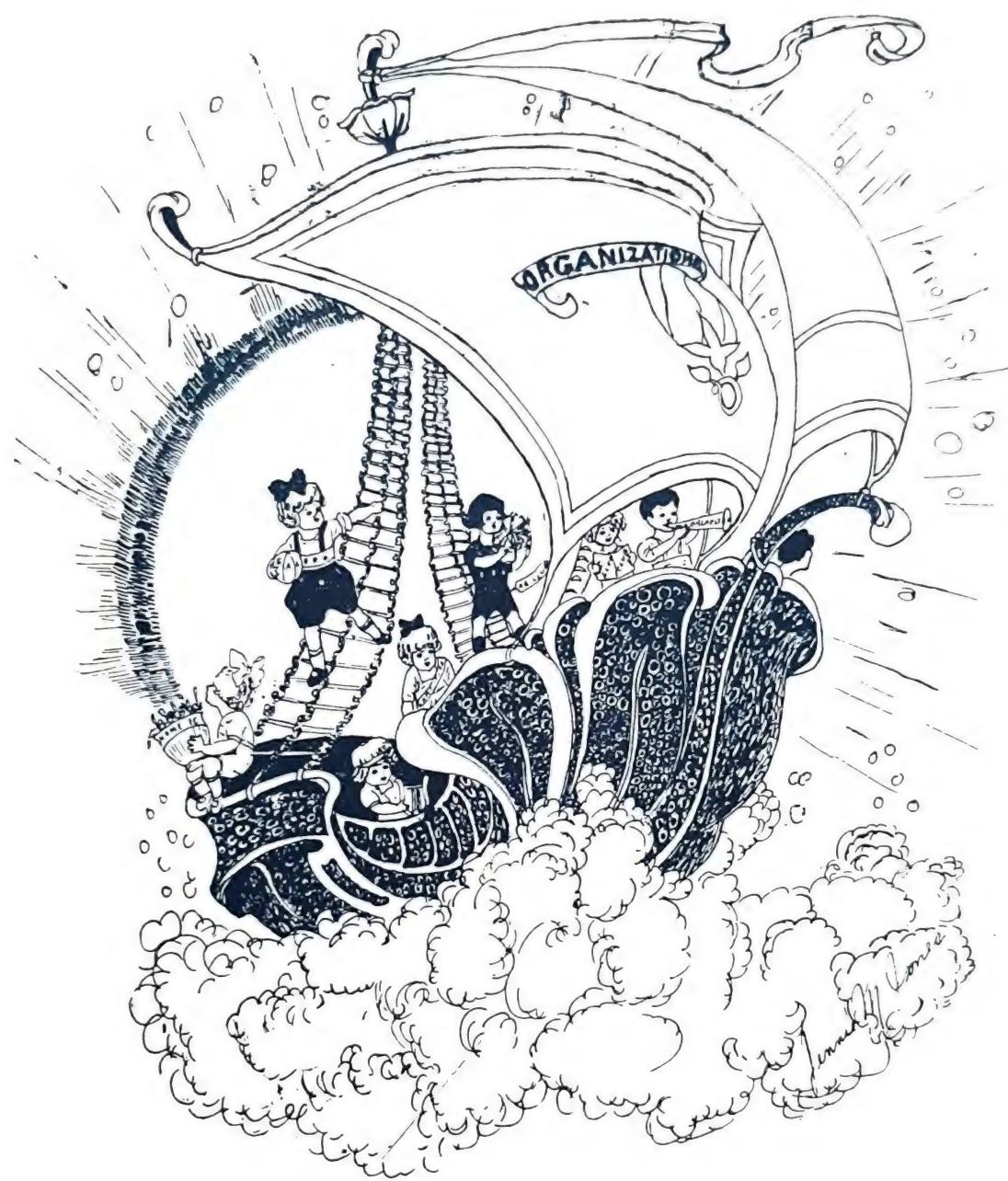
While we lose two mighty good track men this year in Ray Kell and 'Hank' Brinley, prospects for this year are brighter than ever. Captain 'Red' Moore has been high point man for the last two years. He is nearly always a sure scorer in the two-twenty and four-forty yard dashes. Chester Gammon, our leading field event man, took first in the javelin and first in the hop-step-jump at the Southern Illinois meet last year. Jack Fletcher is a new addition to the team this year and is sure to wear the Maroon and White to victory in the hundred and two-twenty yard events. Kimmel, another addition, is the best shot-putter in Southern Illinois. Marion Kelley and Earl Doty are the best bets in the high jump; either of them going five feet eight high. Ezra Malone won several points last year in the jumps and he should be much better this year. Joe Stalcup is a good half mile and mile man while Elmer Hill is a very promising distance man. Whobrey Allen, Joe Nolen and Leonard Ross should strengthen the team in the track events, and Floyd Gasaway and Thomas Whittenberg are two very good jumpers. Knight, another Freshman, looks as though he would develop into a fine weight man.



Girls' Athletics



This is only the second year that we have had girl's athletics of any sort. Miss Annin has been the leader and the different classes have been represented by basket ball and volley ball teams. In the spring the girls intend to have a court fixed and play tennis.



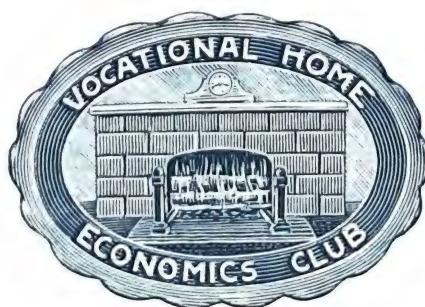


HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

Ever taken Home Economics, girls? You don't know what you're missing. Better take it next year and join the Home Ec. club for that certainly is just about the liveliest organization around here. Those girls are mighty peppy and whew! they have more clever ideas, do more things and have the grandest time you can imagine.

We have a fine executive committee with Ruth Burks as president and Ruth Stilley as vice-president, and Edna Dollins as secretary-treasurer. We meet every second Thursday after school in the dining room. It's the cosiest place, and so 'homy-like.'

Miss Cremeans is our guiding spirit but she stays in the background—that is, she tries to develop leadership among the girls themselves.





Agriculture Club

The Ag. club, organized at the beginning of the school year 1921-22, has developed into one of the liveliest clubs in school. It has increased in membership from twenty-five to almost forty, and interest in the club has increased accordingly. The club is open to all students interested in agriculture. The officers elected for this year were Chester Gammon, president; Charles Nolen, vice-president; Herbert Mundell, secretary; and Fritz Williams, treasurer. The objects of the club are as follows:

- I. To promote and encourage vocational agriculture in the school and at home, and to cultivate among the younger people of the community a love for farm life and the country home.
- II. To promote greater interest in plant growing, animal raising, and exhibition of farm products grown or produced by club members.
- III. To better fit young men to become active leaders of betterment and progress of rural life.
- IV. To furnish opportunity through organization for social activities.

Ag. club meetings are held every Thursday at which time different agricultural topics of importance are discussed either by the club members or by speakers invited by the club. A motion picture occasionally of an agricultural nature is a means by which the club is beneficially entertained.



Girls' Athletic Association

The Girls' Athletic Association was organized in November, 1921. That was a very profitable year considering the difficulties under which they worked. They came back stronger than ever in September, 1922. Officers for the year 1922-23 were elected as follows: President Jennie Jones; vice-president, Nellie Dillon; secretary-treasurer, Permelia Ketteman; faculty advisor, Miss Annin.

A hike and a wiener roast started the year with a boom. The volley ball season, lasting from September to November, brought out approximately thirty-five girls. Eight inter-class games were played as a result of which the Sophomores were declared 1922 champions.

At the time of going to press basket ball was in mid-season, (three preliminaries having been played by girls' teams.)

Tennis is at present an undeveloped sport which G. A. A. hopes to have under way very soon. The provision of a tennis court will enable girl athletes to secure more easily the final honor award—a maroon "B" on a white arm band which is awarded for seven hundred points earned under the point system of the Girls' Athletic Association.



WOHELO CAMP FIRE



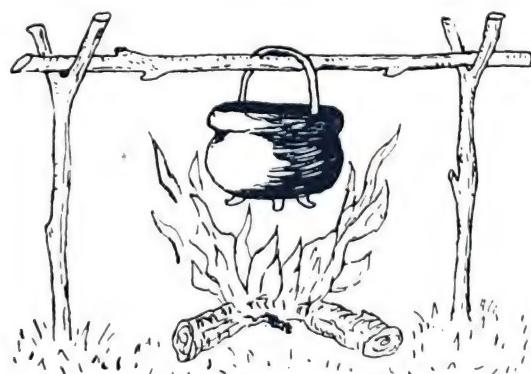
As fagots are brought from the forest,
Firmly held by the sinews that bind them,
I will cleave to my Camp Fire sisters,
Wherever, whenever I find them.

I will strive to grow strong like the pine tree,
To be pure in my deepest desire,
To be true to the truth that is in me,
And stand by the law of fire.

Seek beauty
Give service
Pursue knowledge

Be happy

Be trustworthy
Hold on to health
Glorify work





AFFIRMATIVE DEBATING TEAM



JACKSON

WHITTENBURG

DILLON

This is the first year that B. T. H. S. has entered the debating contests. The work was begun under the direction of Miss Annin, and after several practice debates the teams were chosen.

The question was:- "Resolved that immigration into the U. S. should be prohibited by law for a period of three years" Members of the Southern Illinois Debating League are grouped in triangles, and Mt. Vernon and Du Quoin were in ours. The negative team debated with Mt. Vernon there, and the affirmative with Du Quoin here. Both teams suffered defeat, but this was due to the fact that it was our first experience. The school is very proud of the young pioneers, and is also grateful to Miss Annin for her willing services.

NEGATIVE DEBATING TEAM



MOSS

TATE

WHITTINGTON



DRAMATICS





Clarence



THE CAST

MR. WHEELER.....	WENDELL FRIER
MRS. WHEELER.....	ANNA JOPLIN
MRS. MARTYN.....	MADGE JONES
VIOLET PINNEY.....	LILLIAN LEWIS
CORA.....	ELLEN BURKHART
BOBBY.....	TERRY RAINES
CLARENCE.....	JOHN BROWNING
DINWIDDLE.....	VALLIE WHITTINGTON
DELLA.....	EDNA DOLLINS
HUBERT STEM.....	THOMAS WHITTENBERG

ACT I

Clarence, a returned soldier, looking for work calls at the office of Mr. Wheeler, a wealthy New York broker. While waiting for an interview he is the embarrassed 'third party' to the Wheeler domestic difficulties. Bobby and Cora, the Wheeler children, each tell him of their own private troubles while Cora's governess, Miss Pinney, consults with Mr. Wheeler about disciplining Cora. Mr. Wheeler finally comes out and refuses Clarence a position, but on finding that he knows all the family affairs decides to hire him as a general handy man around his house.



DRAMATICS (Continued)



ACT II

Clarence stayed in the Wheeler home about three weeks acting as stenographer, keeping the plumbing in repair, and tuning the piano. He seemed agreeable, but no one could find out anything about him except that he was in the army and his name was Clarence. He particularly impressed Miss Pinney, much to the disgust of her suitor, Mr. Hubert Stem. Mr. Stem could get Miss Pinney to pay no attention to him, so he directed his attention to Cora since Miss Pinney would then be forced to notice him.

ACT III

The evening that Clarence's new clothes arrived he dressed for dinner, and immediately established himself in the hearts of all the women of the household. Even the jealous Mrs. Wheeler was affected and Cora's infatuation over Mr. Stem died away. Later in the evening Mr. Stem called, accusing Clarence of being the deserter that was described in the evening paper. But Clarence made an ass of him by his subtle remarks. Clarence did say, however, that he was a coleopterist and was listed in Who's Who. Not knowing his last name though, Mr. Wheeler was unable to find him when he attempted to look him up.



DRAMATICS (Continued)



ACT IV

The next morning Clarence received his re-appointment to his old position at the biological laboratories. He explained his business to Miss Pinney and they planned to go away together and be married. Bobby and Cora are sent away to school, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler become reconciled and everything ends well.





DRAMATICS (Continued)

PATTY MAKES THINGS HUM

CAST OF CHARACTERS

MRS. GREENE.....	EDNA DOLLINS
MR. GREENE.....	JENNIE MAUDE JONES
MRS. SMITH.....	RUTH BURKS
PATTY.....	DOROTHIA WARREN
HELEN BRAITHEWAITE.....	MARGARET LOVE
CAPTAIN BRAITHEWAITE.....	ELLEN BURKHART
HOPE DUNBAR.....	MILDRED ASHBAUGH
CAPTAIN LITTLE.....	ERLEMOND STALCUP
HYACINTH.....	MISS PAULINE ANNIN

Act I—Mrs. Greene's living room—afternoon.

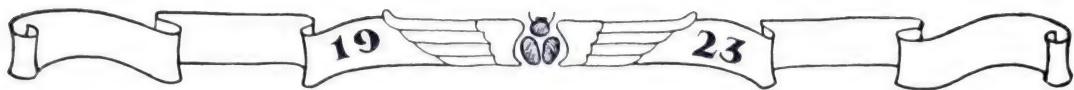
Act II—Same as Act I—Next morning.

Act III—Garden of the Home—That evening.

After being disappointed by the meat man, grocer boy, and her cook, Mrs. Greene is comforted by her friend, Mrs. Smith and believes her dinner party will be a success in spite of all her troubles.

But Patty, the mischievous sister, after being expelled from school visits Mrs. Greene, who forbids Patty's appearance at the table. To get revenge on her sister, Patty dresses as the maid and serves the dinner. She impresses the dignified English officer with her winning smiles, and he later makes a special call to see if the maid is still with the Greenes. She plays the maid's part with difficulty while he is there.

At the garden party he is informed that she is not the maid, but Mrs. Greene's sister. After a wild chase we find them on the stage alone with everything ending happily.



THE TRYSTING PLACE



THE CAST

MRS. BRIGGS.....	RUTH BURKS
JESSIE BRIGGS.....	SARAH JESSUP
LANCELOT BRIGGS.....	JOHN BROWNING
RUPERT SMITH.....	GEORGE KNAPP
MRS. CURTIS.....	LILLIAN LEWIS
MR. INGOLSBY.....	TERRY RAINES

Lancelot falls in love with a beautiful widow, Mrs. Curtis, greatly against his mother's wishes. Seeing his mother approaching one day as he is talking to Mrs. Curtis, he crawls under the settee for protection. A little later Jessie, although she knows it is against her mother's will, meets Rupert Smith in the same room. When Mrs. Briggs comes in he takes refuge in a large chair.

After Jesse had gone, Mr. Ingolsby comes in to talk to Mrs. Briggs. As he confesses his love to her a voice from a chair announces his dislike for sentimental scenes in a public place. Mr. Ingolsby investigates the voice and drags forth Rupert and Lancelot. After finding that neither had uttered a word, Mrs. Curtis explains that the person who spoke was a stranger to every one in the hotel, but a very dear friend of hers.

After everything is clear, Lancelot, feeling very disheartened, goes out with the others and leaves Mrs. Curtis with her friend.



DRAMATICS (Continued)
SIX CUPS OF CHOCOLATE

CAST

ADELINE VAN LINDAN.....	RUTH BROWNING
DOROTHY GREEN.....	DOROTHY CANTRELL
MARION LEE.....	MARGARET VISE
HESTER BEACON.....	ELLEN BURKHART
BEATRIX VAN KORTLAND.....	RUTH MARTIN
JEANETTE DURAND.....	MILDRED ASHBAUGH

All six girls, while chatting over their chocolate, confess that they are in love. Five of the girls describe their 'man of dreams' and the sixth reads a letter from hers. When she has finished reading it, each girl is reading a letter she had received and they discover that they are all alike and from the same person. They seal them up and decide to send them back.

THE INDIFFERENCE OF JEREMY

CAST

JUDITH LEVISTON.....	MARGARET GLOVER
EMILY LEVISTON.....	CARMEN BURGESS
JEREMY LEVISTON.....	WADE BARRICK
PATRICIA MANNERS.....	RUTH MARTIN
MAID.....	MARGARET FISHER
BUTLER.....	DONALD CARLTON

The theme of the play deals mainly with Patricia's love for Jeremy and his intolerable indifference. After the aunts carefully plan and execute the scheme, Jeremy unconsciously falls in love with Patricia, which makes the whole family rejoice.



DRAMATICS (Continued)



THE DRAMATIC ART CLUB

PRESIDENT	CHARLES JACKSON
VICE-PRESIDENT.....	MILDRED ASHBAUGH
SEC.-TREASURER.....	EDNA DARNELL
ADVISOR.....	MISS GLADYS M'SHEA

The Dramatic Art Club of the Benton Township High School was organized in November, nineteen twenty-one. During that year several plays were given by the members of the club, and they proved to be very successful.

This year the membership has increased about fifty percent—the total number being about forty five. The plays given by the club this year are "The Trysting Place", a one act play by Booth Tarkington, "Six Cups of Chocolate", and "The Burglar".

The aim of the club is to create an interest in modern plays.

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SOCIETY





The Most Beautiful Girl In The Benton Township High School



MURAL WILSON



The Most Popular Boy in the Benton Township High School



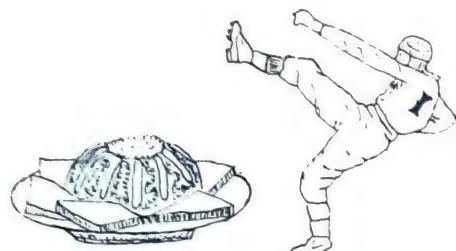
ARTHUR ROBERTS

19 23





B. T. H. S. Vs. EATS



The tables were laid off in ten yard lines with goal posts at each end. Even miniature players were on the field, and from without floated strains of peppy music cheering us on to victory. Everything was in red and white, even the food, and a great game ensued.

The score was 100 to 0 in favor of

the boys, but several injuries were sustained from too bountiful servings. We'll never forget that spread. You Home Economic girls have certainly got the loyal school spirit.

KICK-OFF 6:30

First Quarter—Sour on the enemy (grape fruit cocktail)

Second Quarter—Concealed fowl (fricassee chicken)

Interference smashed with slick play (potatoes and gravy)

Punk field with slick spots (hot biscuits with butter)

Third Quarter—Big mixup (pear salad)
Dressing (mayonnaise)

Fourth Quarter—Sweets of victory (Washington pie)

SENIOR GUEST DANCE



The Seniors decided to show some of the good old spirit and entertain themselves and 'the only ones' at a big frolic in the Elk's hall on Hal-low'e'en night. It was to a mask ball—a reg'lar affair.

After many days of impatient waiting the great night came. Buck, John, Lucille and Gilbert were the central figures (musicians).

The floor was a seething mass of color and many clever costumes were there; Scotch highlanders, Sheiks, bonnie lasses from Spain, and even our own fair American ladies and handsome gentlemen came. Drinking 'pop' was the chief diversion between dances, but no one became 'stewed'.

The guests departed at an early ? ? ? hour, voting it the best of its kind.



JUNIOR--SOPH RECEPTION



entertainment were provided—among which, distinguishing a dead man's body in the dark was the most thrilling.

Eats of pumpkin pie, apples, and cider were served and proved to be very 'filling'. (Mr. Davis made a raid for more cider). A short forty-five minute dance was permitted thru the generosity of the school board and every one made the best of it. Lucille, John, and Buck proved themselves true 'jazz-hounds' and the merriment had to cease all too soon.

MOTHER and DAUGHTER BANQUET

PICKLED PIGS FEET

BOILED ONIONS

CHEESE AND CRACKERS

PASTEURIZED MILK

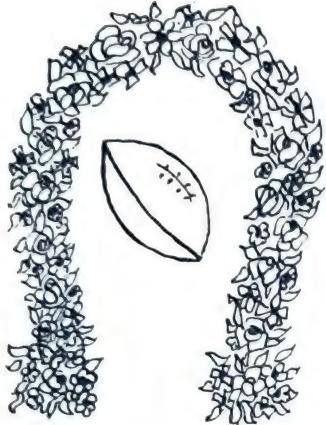
GOOSEBERRIES A'LA BUSH

Something new in the line of entertainment in our school. The Home Ec. girls decided to prove to their mothers how nice they could be on occasions, so they gave them a 'spread' in the school dining room. About fifty girls and their mothers were present.

After the dinner the ladies were entertained by 'The Foot Follies' in the gym, which ended a delightful evening splendidly.



FOOTBALL BANQUET



	MEAT LOAF	
MASHED POTATOES		CREAMED PEAS
CHOICE OF SALADS		
	MILK	
		COFFEE
PIE	ICE CREAM	CAKE

To show the appreciation of the school, the Football boys were given a banquet in the cafeteria after winning their twenty-fifth successive victory.

The two coaches, the Cairo team and our thirty maroon and white warriors were guests. Some of the fans and friends of the school were also invited. Mr. Tabor and all the Seniors on our team spoke. Then a few others were called on for short talks.

The wreath which had been given the team in the afternoon was taken to pieces. The roses were presented to the ladies and the carnations to the boys on the two teams by captain Arthur Roberts.

FRESHMAN MIXER



The Freshmen surprised us all by being the first ones to start out the social season. Their motto was "all of a kind—all of a color", meaning only ninth graders allowed of course.

Several children's games were played and highly enjoyed. A stunt 'The Victrola Shop' proved very entertaining to the little ones and also aided in keeping them quiet for a while.

At an early hour they bade each other good-night, and went home to be tucked into their little cradles.



ESSAY ON LOVE

Love is blind. Yes, after seeing some of the matches of today one would think that love is really blind. One smiles when he sees a couple walking down the street, the husband six foot four and the wife seven foot five. But what difference does size make? Probably that couple is happier than one more nearly equal, but does the old saying 'Love is blind' refer to this matter of size or does it mean that love is blind to all things—vulgarity of thought and speech and such things. Love is our highest word and synonym of God. It is the enchantment of human life. It is a spark which, kindling in the corner of a private bosom, catches fire from a spark out of another heart, and grows until it beams upon a multitude of men and women and lights up the whole world with its generous flames.

The rude school boy jokes and teases all the girls but one—ah! yes, the one which he solely believes. He thinks that she is made only for him, and how differently she is treated. He takes every precaution that she may not exert herself in carrying her books home, although she probably will be scrubbing the floor an hour later. He very diligently escorts her over the winding path * to her own front door. This is love. Some people call it puppy love, but it is merely the beginning. Can one hope to stop it? Woe be unto him who does, because he is dredging the very soul out of the school boy's life.

Then there is the girl who at some time in her life will have the passionate desire to write to some idol in a neighboring city, and who of course will be scolded for this action. But mothers should not discourage this desire nor flirtation with the best looking clerks in the stores, for the affectionate nature of woman flows out in these incidents. Love is there, love is everywhere.

By and by both boy and girl will want a life partner, and will not these former associations tell them how to choose a mate? Will not these little talks about nothing greatly aid in proper mating and go a long way toward abolishing the detested divorce courts? Who can see the beauty of nature, of life, and God, like lovers? Love is everything.

Harry Oliver Wendell Holmes Frier

* Webb's front yard is a short cut to Ashbaugh's house.

MUSIC





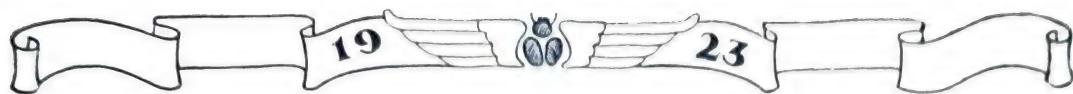
THE GYPSY ROVER



THE CAST

MEG.....	RUBY MORGAN
ZARA.....	MARGARET BENTLEY
MARTO.....	CHARLES JACKSON
SINFO.....	WINDELL FRIER
ROB (THE GYPSY ROVER) ..	THOMAS WHITTENBURG
LADY CONSTANCE.....	ELLEN BURKHART
LORD CRAVEN.....	JOHN GILMORE
SIR GEORGE MARTENDALE.....	WADE BARRICK
NINA MARTENDALE.....	ERLEMOND STALCUP
CAPTAIN JEROME.....	LYMAN KIMMEL

The Gypsy Rover was given in the High School gymnasium by the music department of the school. The grade school children enjoyed the matinee in the afternoon, and the evening performance was well received. The show proved to be a success from every standpoint. As this is the first year we have had music in the High School we all feel very proud over what has been accomplished. A great deal of credit is due Miss Longbons and Miss McShea for their training the chorus and orchestra.



THE GIRLS' GLEE CLUB



The Girls' Glee Club was organized with twenty-five members although several persons have joined since. They have sung before the Farmers' institute and Teachers' institute, and they often sing before the assembly. They meet every Wednesday. It is another of the many helpful things that have resulted from our having music in the school.



Music



The B. T. H. S. orchestra is certainly a credit to the school. As this is really the first year we have had an orchestra, it has accomplished a great deal. It has played before the Rotary Club, Lion's Club, the Teacher's institute, and it plays for all the High School assemblies. It organized at the first of the year and elected Dale Smith, Crystal Waller, Anna Joplin, and John Schultz as officers.

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Paul Massinter
Margaret Fitzgerrell
Margaret Vise
Charles Hochman
Loren Cluster

SECOND VIOLINS

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Marguerite Waller
Ninis Neal
Elpha Doty
Sophia Neal

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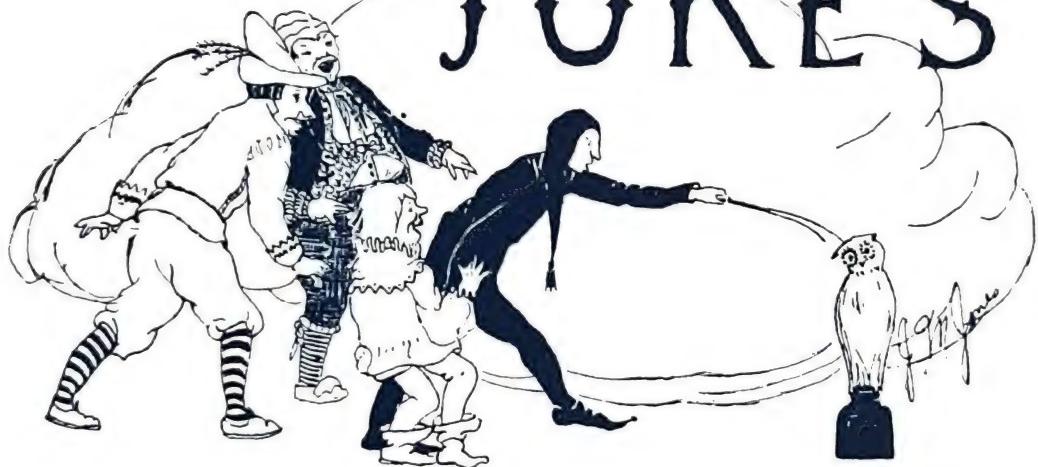
Lee McClintock
John Schultz

DRUMS

Marion Kelley
ACCOMPANIST
Crystal Waller



JOKES



Jokes

Ask the Sheik of Arkansas

The other night in my sedan
 There was just her and me, her man.
 I talked of ships and pirates bold,
 And Indian fights and stolen gold,
 And duels and robbers and thieves'
 strongholds
 Then all at once she said, "I'm cold."
 So I though cool took off my coat
 And wrapped my muffler 'round her
 throat.
 Then talked of cards and the games of
 chance,
 And spoke of styles and the latest dance,
 And touched on philosophy and golfer's
 stance,
 Then I grew cool, but gosh! her glance
 Just chilled me through—
 Now just what did I fail to do?
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Wise Soph.: "Had your iron today?"
 Freshman: "Yes, I've just been talking
 to Miss Longbons."
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Miss Annin (as Sid Neal ambled my):
 "How gauche?"
 Sid: "Fine, thanks. How goesch it
 with you?"
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Paul Collins' Minor Subjects

1. History of the Saracen Empire.
 2. The Industrial Revolution in England.
 3. Contemporary Poetry.
 4. International Law.
 5. Greek Tragedy.
 6. Criminology.
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Frances Hickman's Recommendation to the Library

Her Painted Past.
 The Sheik.
 Eve's Daughter.
 Beautiful and Damned.
 Beauty and Mary Blair.
 From Rags to Riches.
 Birthright.
 Red Boudoir.
 Lady Muriel's Secret.
 Washerwoman's Revenge.
 Desert Love.
 Where Knowledge Means Happiness.
 Wild Women.
 Tales of the Jazz Age.
 Simon Called Peter.
 What Every Woman Ought to Know.
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Ask Mr. Davis if one must wear his
 frat pin on his B. V. D.'s when cleaning
 up the basement.
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We intended giving our readers a bit
 of interesting correspondence of some
 coming great men, but the "hush" money
 to help make up our deficit was needed
 too badly.
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THE MORNING AFTER LAURA'S
 FIRST DATE WITH DUPPE REA.
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Gawd's Country—Rockford

Here am I—Behold me!
 Teacher of Geometry.
 From the North I came to thee,
 Vile Southern Illinois, cemetery!

But soon, ah! soon my term is o'er.
 I'll go back north almost before
 They close with pride the ghastly door,
 Thy high grass school—Thou'rt nothing
 more.
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Miss Colcord: "For what did Neptune
 use his trident?"

Ray Jones: "With that he punched the
 sea to make it angry."
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We learn from the teachings of M.
 Blaise Pascal that we are not angels,
 but we are not rascals; and that he who
 aspires to become a sweet seraph invariably
 ends up in the care of the sheriff.

But you are wrong M. Pascal—your
 idea's obsolete; we now simply occupy a
 ninth hour seat. By this simple act all
 our faults are corrected, and our seats
 in heaven will then be selected.
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Regardless of public opinion, we shall
 always contend that Wade Barrick was
 the logical person for the May Queen.
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Our male quartet rendered "My Old
 Kentucky Home" in a most pathetic
 strain whereupon the visitor at the

JOKES (Continued)

school began to sob.

Mr. Jackson: "I'm sorry if this has brought up sad memories. Is your home in Kentucky?"

The Visitor: "Oh no, it's just that I'm a musician."

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Musings of a Young Intellectual

I came from Gawd's country. I am an individualist, a psychologist, a ladykiller. I know practically everything worth knowing. Anyone who does not realize and acknowledge my genius can go to the devil.

It is generally admitted that I am handsome, and besides that I know my eggs. These Southern Illinois people are positively B. C.

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Margaret Bentley's Soliloquy

To wed or not to wed—that is the question. Whether it is nobler to remain single and disappoint a few men for a while, or to marry and disappoint one man for life.

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Soap F. (in cafeteria): "A muttered buffin, please."

Mrs. Vise: "You mean a buffered muttin."

Soap: "Of course, I mean a buffered buttin."

Mrs. Vise: "A muttined buffer."

Soap: "A buttined muffer."

Mrs. Vise: "A buffined mutter."

Soap: "Oh pshaw, I'll take doughnuts."

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WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF—

Kent Harris should be popular?

J. B. Davis & Co. couldn't show their authority?

Bus should forget to go by for Ruth?

Fannie W. should attend all her classes?

Ruth Martin were a Senior?

Madge Jones' Keuth shouldn't come over?

Margaret Bentley couldn't talk?

Golda Gore had a powder puff?

Dorotha Warren were an actress?

Terry Rainey could make the B. B. team?

Lola could spite Charlie?

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Life's Little Tragedies

Dropping a half-finished cigarette.

Unexpected exams.

Ninth hour assembly.

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Favorite Pastimes

Miss Engle—Amusing the boys.

Miss Sense—Chasing running stitches.

Mr. Jackson—Caressing his curls.

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I wish I were a porcupine, with
With nothing else to do,
But sit and wait for Miss McShea
Then sling a quill or two.

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Wade: "Didn't know I used to be an actor?"

Ruth B.: "No, I didn't."

Wade: "Yes, jockey in the 'four Horsemen'."

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Miss Longbons: "Charles Jackson, you need to be paddled. I wish I could be your mother about a week."

Charles: "Yes? I'll speak to papa about it."

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Miss Engle: "There isn't a single man that I really care for."

Mr. _____: "That's all right, I'm married. Shall we sit down?"

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Terry Rainey says to always forgive an enemy if you can't lick him.

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Fannie Williams: "What is the end of a perfect day?"

Mr. Henson: "Twelve o'clock, I reckon."

* * * *

Smitty says that "Here Comes the Bride" is the greatest war song ever written.

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Alex Rose sat on a tack. Poor Alex rose.

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Livesuv all remindus
Wemay spend fullmania dime,
And in parting leavebe hindus
Thanksyev hada turribltime.

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It was so snug in the back seat of that sedan. Just the two of them—she, so dainty and beautiful and he was holding her so manfully in his arms. He seemed in Paradise—and then she nestled closer and whispered, "Oh Ralph, you are so wonderful." Terry Rainey is now another confirmed woman hater.

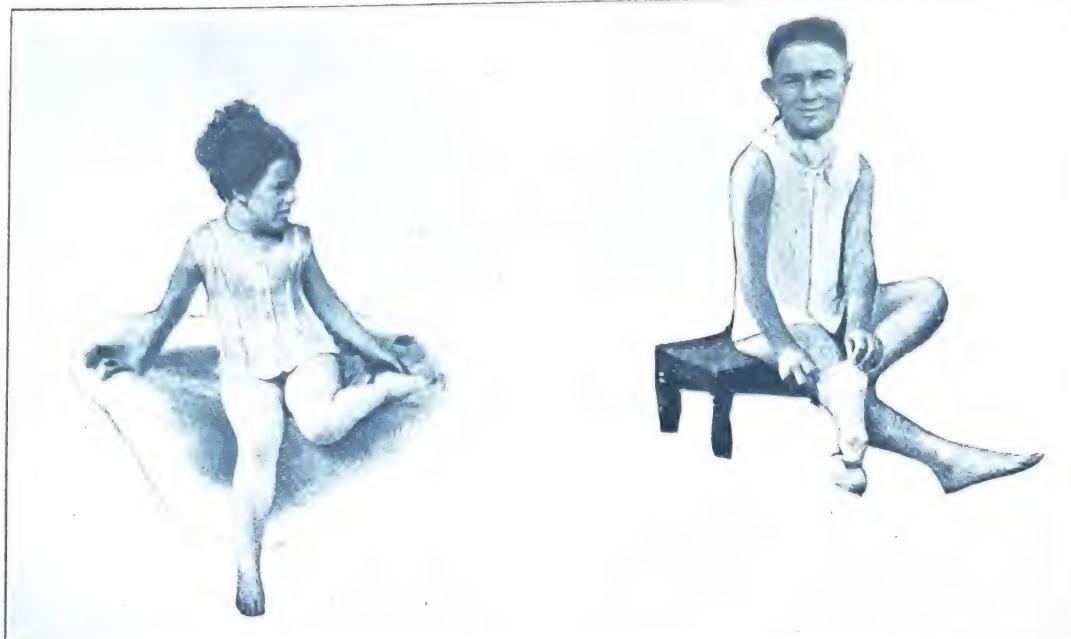
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Terry R.: "What do you like most about Ruth Martin?"

Mr. Trank: "My arms."

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Will some one kindly ask Marguerite Vise if because one's father is on the school board he has the privilege of cutting in in front of everybody in the cafeteria line.



ANOTHER MELLIN'S FOOD BABY

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A Pleasant Evening

"Hello Anna, how are you?"
 "I have a dreadful headache, Fritz."
 "Here is a box of candy, perhaps it will make you feel better."
 "Thanks, I will save it till tomorrow."
 "Where is the lounge this evening?"
 "We sent it to the upholsterers."
 "Do you mind if I smoke?"
 "Please don't. It ruins the draperies."
 "Let's play that new record and dance a little."
 "Mama's sick and asked me not to play."
 "Let's go down and get a drink."
 "It's too cold."
 "Anna, I'm sorry I can't stay late, but I have to meet the eight-forty."
 "Well of course if you have to go"—
 "Kiss me good-bye."
 "No Fritz, I have a terrible cold. Come back again sometime."

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Hear the sad story of C. Jackson, esquire,
 Who ran thru the town with his panties on fire,
 He rushed to the doctor, and fainted with fright
 When the doctor told him his end was in sight.

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Mr. Smith on an Autumn day greeted the school in his smiling way. He cleared his throat and drew our attention, then announced he would talk of the early inventions.

First he told how a man who was out in the mire discovered a log which had just caught on fire. After speaking of this he told of the net, invented to catch fish up out of the wet. Whispers went through the audience, "This learning we hear is surely beyond one of Mr. Smith's years."

CHILDREN WHO WEAR HICKORY UNDERWAISTS CAN DRESS THEMSELVES.

Then every one gasped—their muscles relaxed; Mr. Smith was soaring up to his climax. With a step forward and a stroke of the chin, Mr. Smith told of the first safety pin. There was a moment of silence then came the ovation that was due Mr. Smith for his fine recitation.

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Chas. Nolen: "Yes sir, that bird last night took my watch, my knife, and all the money that I had with me."

Sarah Jessup: "Why, I thought that you always carried a loaded revolver with you."

Chas.: "Well, he didn't happen to find that."

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Freshman: "Miss Christensen, Ruth Martin copied that question on how many vertebrae we have in our heads."

Miss Christensen: "Oh surely not."

Fresh.: "Yes, she tried to count hers."

Joe Stalcup: "Mr. Jackson, you wouldn't punish anyone for something they didn't do would you?"

Mr. Jackson: "Of course not."

Joe: "Well, I didn't do what you told me to."

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Wade Barrick: "How much for a hair cut?"

Barber: "Twenty cents a yard."

Wade: "Gosh. I only have forty cents."

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Observe the simple oyster,
 He doesn't give a whoop
 For tubs of porcelain and tin,
 He takes his baths in soup.

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Would you believe it? Charles Seiber is actually going to graduate.



ALUMNI

Since eighteen hundred eighty eight Benton High School has graduated four hundred eighty-four boys and two hundred thirty girls.

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Many of these have gone on to higher institutions of learning and graduated with honors. About one third of the girls have become home-makers and the prospects are good for others to enter that profession. The success of those who have chosen this noble calling is an inspiration to those who are contemplating such a choice.

More than half a hundred have distinguished themselves as teachers—some in the grades, others in the high school. There are lawyers, bankers, merchants, physicians, surgeons, dentists, pharmacists, electricians, civil engineers, legislators, postal clerks, farmers, book-keepers, stenographers, and dress-makers scattered from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico; from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and one has crossed the Pacific and is now in China. All these date the beginning of their success in life to the days spent in B. T. H. S.

Just a score from the ranks of the Alumni have entered the Great Beyond. Three of these made the supreme sacrifice during the World War.

During the Christmas vacation last year the Alumni arranged a Home-Coming and it proved a very happy event for all who were able to be present. A permanent organization of this body would be pleasing to many, and it might become a source of helpfulness to the school we hold so dear.



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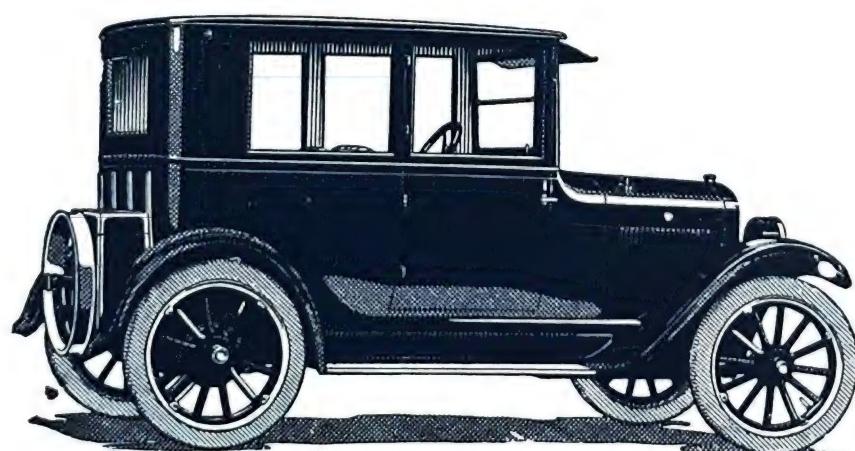


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Payne & Williams sold their abstract business to James F. Mason and after his death his son, M. J. Mason succeeded him.

M. J. Mason sold a one half interest to Fred C. Pulliam and the firm was called Mason and Pulliam. Pulliam sold back to Mason and Mason sold to W. F. Dillon and J. M. Joplin and the firm was called Dillon and Joplin.

About the year 1902 Dillon sold his one half interest to W. F. Spiller and the firm name was changed to Joplin & Spiller.

Payne and Williams had a set of abstract books, which is essential in the abstract business, but about the year 1870 John Mulkey and Henry Hudson decided to make abstracts from the grantor and grantee indexes. Mulkey was Circuit Clerk & Recorder and Hudson was his deputy.

Mulkey soon retired from the abstract business and Hudson opened up an office about 1875 and continued in the business alone until 1905 when he formed a partnership with C. W. Stilley under the firm name of Hudson & Stilley.

R. H. Flannigan began making abstracts in connection with his law office about the year 1876, using a tract index, which he made. In a few years he sold his tract index to James F. Mason and it went on down the line of the different owners mentioned above to Joplin & Spiller.

I. R. Spilman made a set of abstract books different from any that had been made and started an office in connection with his law and surveyor's business. His books have been called the "Chinese puzzle" as they are hard for an abstractor to run the title, but are accurate and were a good set of books in their day. Spilman sold out to D. R. Webb and T. M. Webb and the firm was called Webb & Webb.

A. L. Mayfield of Decatur bought a half interest in the firm and the name was changed to Webb & Mayfield. W. F. Dillon purchased the interest of the Webbs and the firm was changed to Dillon & Mayfield. Mayfield sold to W. W. McCreery and the name was changed

to Dillon & McCreery. McCreery sold to J. M. Joplin.

Dillon and Joplin now owned all the abstract books in the county, except the tract index of Henry Hudson, and when Spiller bought out Dillon, and Stilley bought a half interest with Hudson the abstractors of the county in 1905 were Joplin & Spiller and Hudson & Stilley.

W. F. Burkitt was elected Circuit Clerk and Recorder in 1900 and served until December, 1904. During his term of office he made a tract index and opened up an abstract office in the spring of 1905, which was called Burkitt's Abstract Office.

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In October 1916 H. E. Kimmel of Du Quoin bought out the Franklin County Abstract Co., and he and W. F. Burkitt, the owner of Burkitt's Abstract Office consolidated and incorporated under the name of Burkitt-Kimmel Abstract Co.

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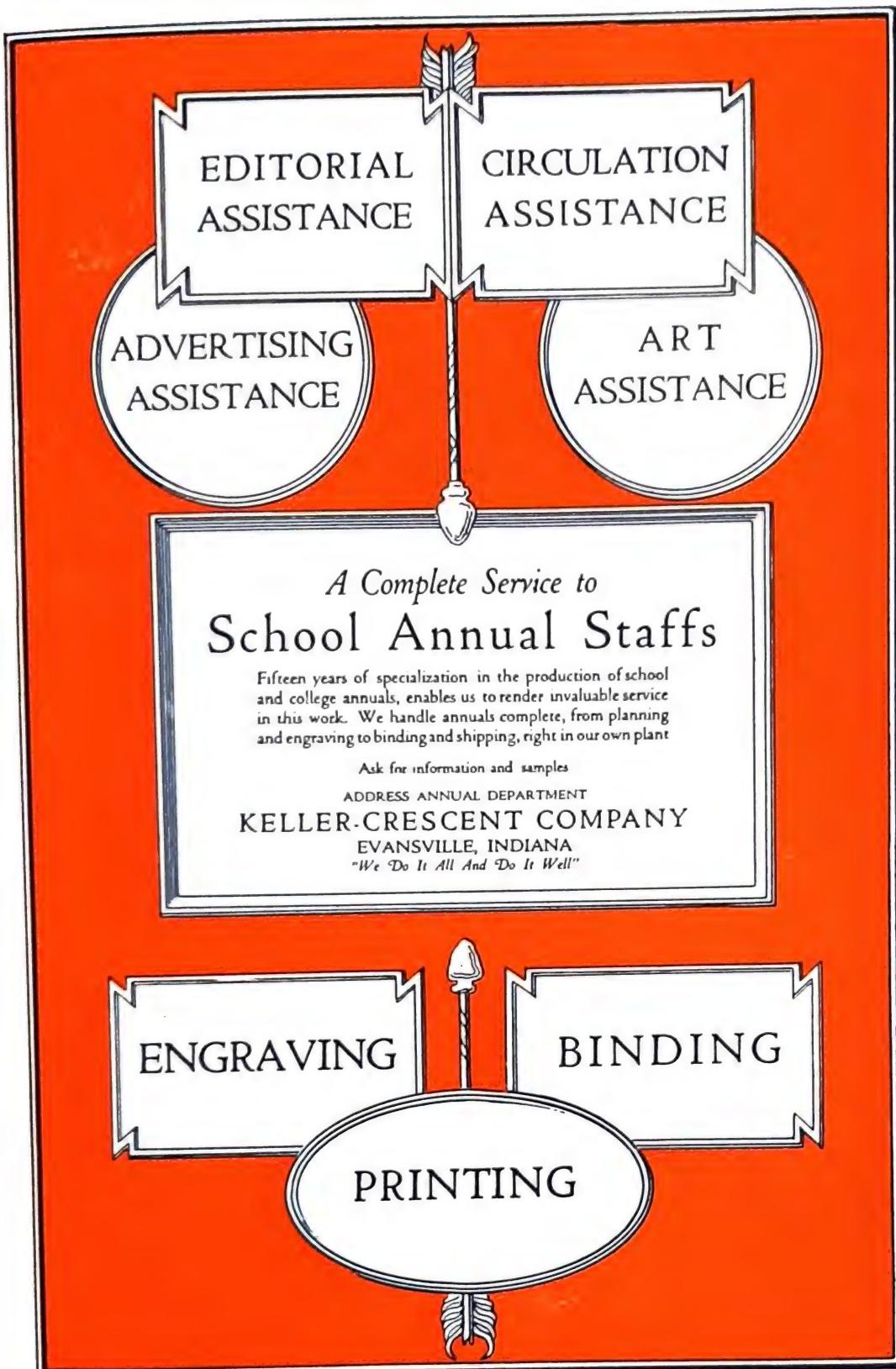


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